

# MINUTES

OF THE

Twenty-Fourth Session

## Detroit Annual Conference

OF THE

*Methodist Episcopal Church,*

HELD IN

Ann Arbor, Mich., Sept. 10th to 16th,

1879.

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BISHOP T. BOWMAN,

*President.*

ARTHUR EDWARDS,

*Secretary.*

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CONTAINS ALL PROCEEDINGS.

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# RULES OF ORDER.

**As Adopted in 1869. Modified in 1875, and Adopted Each, and this, Session Since.**

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1. The Conference shall meet at 8½ o'clock A. M., and adjourn at 12 M., but may alter the time of meeting and adjourning at its discretion.
  2. The President shall take the chair precisely at the time to which the Conference stood adjourned, and cause the same to be opened by reading the Scriptures, singing and prayer, and shall have the journals of the preceding day read and approved.
  3. The President shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference; but, in case of an appeal, the question shall be taken without debate.
  4. He shall appoint all committees not otherwise specially ordered by the Conference, but any member may decline serving on more than one committee at the same time.
  5. All motions and resolutions introduced by any member shall be reduced to writing, if the President, Secretary, or any member of the Conference requests it.
  6. When a motion, resolution or report presented, is read by the Secretary, or stated by the President, it shall be deemed in possession of the Conference, but any motion or resolution may be withdrawn by the mover, at any time before action or amendment.
  7. No new motion or resolution shall be made before the one under consideration has been disposed of, which may be done by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following should intervene, which motion shall have precedence in the order in which they are placed, viz: Indefinite postponement, lying on the table, reference to a committee, postponement to any given time, or amendment.
  8. No member shall be interrupted when speaking, except by the President, to call him to order when he departs from the question, uses personalities, or disrespectful language; but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject when he deems the speaker out of order, or any other member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.
  9. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President.
  10. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, or more than fifteen minutes at one time, without leave of the Conference; nor shall any person speak more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.
  11. When any motion or resolution shall have passed, it shall be in order for any member who voted with the prevailing side, to move a reconsideration.
  12. No member shall absent himself from the services of Conference without leave unless he is sick or unable to attend.
  13. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar of the Conference at the time such question is put by the President, except by leave of Conference, when such member has been necessarily absent.
  14. Every member who shall be within the bar at the time the question is put, shall give his vote, unless the Conference, for special reasons, excuse him.
  15. No motion shall be considered unless seconded.
  16. The Secretary shall keep a journal of the proceedings of the Conference, and, when approved, shall record them in a book provided for that purpose. He shall take charge of the journal and other papers of the Conference; and preserve them with care; suffer no person to take a copy of any paper during the interval of Conference, except with the consent of the Conference; and shall forward the journal and papers to the next Annual Conference.
  17. A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time, and shall be decided without debate.
  18. No preacher shall bring any charge against any member of this Conference until he has first given him information of the same, either by letter or otherwise, ten days in advance, if practicable, so that the accused may have an opportunity for defense.
  19. When any brother intends to object to the passage of another's character, it shall be his duty to hand the name of the person against whom objections are to be made to the President of the Conference.
- [The Conference, Sept. 8, 1873, ordered the previous question on a pending motion, thus establishing a precedent.
- [A motion to table an amendment to a resolution does not carry the resolution to the table. This has itself been the understanding in Detroit Conference.—*Secretary Edwards.*

## CONFERENCE OFFICERS, 1879-80.

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# ATTEND TO THIS

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## TO CONFERENCE OF 1880.

1. Report statistics and collections as early as possible—*on the first day, if possible.*
  2. Report *even dollars and no cents*, if possible, to the Conference Treasurer.
  3. Write proper names and figures with extreme care.
  4. Presiding Elders should report at the next session a complete list of local preachers in their districts. Let the report state whether they are merely licensed, or Deacons or Elders. Give postoffice address of local preachers.
  5. *Superannuate and Supernumerary members should send postoffice addresses to Secretary immediately.*
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## TO EVERY MEMBER—PERSONAL.

The Secretary, ARTHUR EDWARDS, 57 Washington Street, Chicago, should receive immediately, by mail, material to complete the Register:

1. Your name in full.
2. Born—~~where~~ ?
3. Born—when ?
4. Admitted into full connection—in what Conference ?
5. When ?
6. If not originally admitted into Detroit Conference from what Conference, or other Church, transferred to Detroit Conference ?
7. When ?
8. Examine the Register.

# JOURNAL OF THE SESSION

IN FULL.

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## FIRST DAY.

ANN ARBOR, MICH., Wednesday, September 10th, 1879.

The Detroit Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church began its Twenty-fourth Session in the First Methodist Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor, Mich., at 9 o'clock, Wednesday morning, Sept. 10, 1879, Bishop Thomas Bowman, presiding.

Appropriate Scripture was read by James F. Davidson, two hymns were sung at intervals, and prayer was made by J. F. Davidson, and Bishop Bowman.

The Conference roll was called and all were found present save those who are marked absent or deceased, or on mission service :

Allen, Alfred, *absent*; Allen, Charles T., *absent*; Allington, William, *absent*; Anderson, Chas. Miller, *absent*; Arnold, John Motte; Atkinson, John; Atchinson, Jonathan Burch; Austin, Charles Wm.

Balls, James; Bancroft, Jno. Orlando, *absent*; Barnes Leemon, *absent*; Barry, Edward, *absent*; Bartlett, Alanson Roots, *absent*; Baskerville, Thomas H., *absent*; Bell, Andrew, *absent*; Benson, William, *absent*; Benton, Wm. Hart; Berry, Joseph Flint; Bessey, Samuel, *absent*; Bigelow, Andrew Jackson; Bigelow, Wm. Enos; Bird, Robert; Bird, Samuel, *absent*; Birdsall, William; Blades, Francis Asbury, *absent*; Blood, Alva G.; Bourns, Alfred Francis; Bradley, Franklin; Brockway, Edwin H.; Brown, Henry Newton; Brown, Samuel Joshua; Burnett, Wm. Q.

Calkins, Sylvester, *absent*; Camburn, Ira H.; Campbell, John W.; Campbell, Wm. John; Campbell, Wm. M.; Casler, David; Caster, Elisha Ezra, *absent*; Caster, James Harvey; Challis, Dewitt C [In Bulgaria], Church, Charles Lewis; Clack, Wm. J.; Clark, Nathan N.; Clements, Samuel; Clough, Albert B.; Coates, Frederick; Cocker, Benjamin F, *absent*; Cope, Robert L; Copp, Richard, *absent*; Crane, Rufus Cullen, *absent*; Craven, Edwin; Crippen, John Wesley; Curnalia, James Henry, Curtis, David A.

*Detroit Annual Conference,*

Davidson, James F; Davis, George R [In China], Davis Lewis P; Dawe, Edwin; Dawe, William; Dean, Lyman Haines; Diverty, James Emory; Dobbins, Jacob, *absent*; Donnelly, Wm. *absent*; Donelson, Ira W; Dunlap, James A; Dunning, Walter Edson.

Edwards, Arthur; Elwood, Isaac Newton.

Fair, Alex Scott; Field, George H, *absent*; Fiske, Lewis Ransom; Foster, Edwin, *absent*; Fox, William; Frazee, Elias Wetmore; Frazer, Joseph; Fuller, James Madison.

Gage, Rodney, *absent*; Gardner, Thomas C, *absent*; Gee, Alexander; Gibbs, Calvin, *absent*; Giberson, Daniel W; Gordon John M; Goss, Joel Byington; Gray, John, *absent*.

Hagadorn, Wesley; Hale Osmer B; Hamilton, John; Hammond, Daniel W, *absent*; Hascall, Erastus R, *absent*; Hazen, Albert R; Hedger, Benjamin H; Hickey George S, *Transferred to Michigan Conference*; Hickey, Manasseh, *absent*; Hicks, Henry W; Higgins, Theron Clint, *absent*; Hodge, John J; Hodskiss, Harvey, *absent*; Holt, Joseph Warren; Hood, Hiram, *absent*; Horton, Jacob; Houghton, Levi Liberty, *absent*; Hoyt, Almon F; Hudson, James L.

Jacklin, James E; Jacokes, Daniel C; Johnson, Isaac, *absent*; Johnson Peter O, *absent*; Johnston J. Milton, *absent*; Joslin, John S, *absent*; Joslin, Thomas Jeff, *absent*.

Kellerman, Charles R; Kelley, John; Kilpatrick, James H, *absent*; Kilpatrick, Jesse; *absent*; Kimmell, Samuel Bell; Klumph, Erastus, *absent*.

Laing, Aaron R, *absent*; Lanning, Robert C; Lee, Luther; Lee Samuel P, *absent*; Lowe, George W, *absent*; Lyon, George Marcius, *absent*; Lyons, Nelson G.

Mahon William, *deceased*; Marksman, Peter, *absent*; Maywood, John; McConnell, Richard, *absent*; McIlwain, John A; McIntosh, John H; Millar, David B; Misener, Duston Wells; Mitchell, Lewis, *absent*; Moon, Lewis N, *absent*; Morgan, Josiah George; Morton, James H, *absent*; Mosher, Curtis, *absent*.

Nankervis, Henry; Newton, Newell; Nichols, Thomas; Ninde, William Xavier; Nixon, George, *absent*; Noble, James Richard; Northrup, Henry C.

Odell, Daniel J, *absent*; Omans, Thomas G, *absent*; Osborne William H, *absent*; Owen, George W, *absent*.

Palmer, Horace; Pardington, Raynor S; Parker, Henry O; *absent*; Parker Jacob E, *absent*; Paull, John S, *absent*; Pierce, Edwin P, *absent*; Pearce, Francis E; Peirce, Nathan Wallace, *absent*; Pearce, Webster H, *absent*; Pearman, Elias Elgin, *absent*; Perrin, Donald A, *absent*; Perrin, Oliver Jacob; Pilcher, Leander W [In China], Pope, Russell Bigelow; Potter, Thomas George, *absent*; Preston, Walter H, *absent*; Priestly, John Stanley; Prindle, Elias B, *absent*; Pritchard, Benj. Franklin, *absent*; Pugh, John.

Ramsdell, Stephen L; Reed, Seth; Richards, And. Jackson; Rid-dick, Isaac H, *absent*; Russell, Jesse B, *absent*; Russell, John.

Sanborn, Orlando, *absent*; Scott, Marvin J; Seelye, Thomas; Shier, Dan R; Shier, William Henry; Simpson, Charles, *absent*; Smart, James Shirley; Smith, Henry Harrison; Sparling, John George, *absent*; Stalker, Thomas; Steele, Ebenezer; Steer Edward, *absent*; Stowe, George; Strong, Frederick; Sutton, Joseph Swazey, *absent*.

Taylor, Barton S ; Taylor, George ; Taylor, Wm ; Tedman, Lucius S ; Thompson, Henry W, *absent* ; Tracy, D Burnham, *absent* ; Triggs, Robert, *deceased* ; Triggs, Wm. M ; *absent* ; Truscott, John M, *absent* ; Tuttle, William.

VanEvery, John M ; VanNorman, Ephraim, *absent* ; Varnum, Joseph B ; Venning, James.

Ward, Duncan M, *absent* ; Wakelin, Thomas, *absent* ; Walker, John L, *absent* ; Warren, Frederick Wales ; Warren, Squire Ethan, *absent* ; Washburn, W, Wallace ; Way, Wm. Chittenden ; Wesley, John, *absent* ; Westlake, Eli, *absent* ; Whalen, James E ; White, Henry Sumner ; Whiteley, Duke ; Whitcomb, Alonzo ; Whitcomb, John Goss, *absent* ; Whitmore, Orrin, *absent* ; Wilcox, Isaac ; Wilkinson, Thomas, *absent* ; Wilsey, Marcenas B, *absent* ; Wilson, Andrew W ; Wilson, George, *absent* ; Withey, James E ; Wood, Alva B, *absent* ; Woodhams, Roland, *absent* ; Wortley, Jacob C ; Wright, Philip J, *absent*.

York, Frederick E ; York, Lodowic C.

When the names of William Mahon and Robert Triggs were called it was sadly announced that they had deceased. [See answer to question fifteen,—and the memoirs].

When the name of George S. Hickey was called it was announced that he had been transferred to Michigan Conference.

The transfer of John McEldowney from Utah, to this Conference was announced, and his name was placed on the roll.

Arthur Edwards was unanimously elected Secretary by acclamation, and he was authorized to nominate assistants.

The Standing Committee nominated in 1878 were, after amendments, constituted as follows:

#### COMMITTEES FOR 1879.

*Public Worship*—W. H. Shier and R. B. Pope.

*Education*—D. C. Jacokes, J. E. Jacklin, Joseph Frazer.

*Ministerial Education*—A. J. Bigelow, J. C. Wortley, L. P. Davis.

*Conference Stewards*—W. C. Way, H. C. Northrup, H. W. Hicks.

*Missions*—The Presiding Elders.

*Bible Cause*—C. T. Allen, Wesley Hagadorn, D. B. Millar.

*Temperance*—Jessie Kilpatrick, L. Barnes, Wm. Taylor.

*Sanctity of the Sabbath*—Wm. Donnelly, G. M. Lyon, C. M. Anderson.

*Postoffices*—W. E. Dunning.

*Parsonages*—J. E. Withey.

*Memoirs*—John Russell, J. F. Davidson, R. C. Lanning.

*Mission Auditors*—T. J. Joslin, Calvin Gibbs, J. W. Crippen.

*Sunday Schools and Tracts*—J. B. Atchinson, W. M. Campbell, J. M. VanEvery.

*Church Extension*—Wm. Fox, O. Sanborn, E. W. Frazee.

*Freedmen's Aid*—O. Whitmore, S. P. Lee, T. H. Baskerville.

*Periodicals*—B. S. Taylor, S. L. Ramsdell, R. Woodhams.

*Statistics*—R. S. Pardington, L. P. Davis, F. E. York, W. H. Osborn, C. Simpson, J. M. Johnson.

*On Conference Claimants*—W. Q. Burnett, O. J. Perrin, T. G. Potter, W. E. Bigelow, W. J. Campbell, G. W. Lowe.

*Debts Due the Book Concern*—C. T. Allen, T. Nichols, N. G. Lyons, J. O. Bancroft, J. L. Walker, T. Wilkinson.

*Publish Minutes*—Arthur Edwards, J. M. Arnold.

*To Nominate Committees for 1880*—F. W. Warren, J. Horton, J. Venning, J. H. McIntosh, J. S. Joslin, D. A. Curtis.

*Conference Treasurer*—David Casler, with C. Simpson and J. C. Higgins, as assistants.

J. S. Smart, J. Atkinson, S. Clements, W. E. Bigelow and J. Russell were appointed a committee to report on the Port Huron Church which was destroyed by a hurricane, during the past Conference year.

The presiding elder of Detroit district presented an appeal made by Rev. John Levington a local preacher, from a decision in Simpson Church Quarterly Conference, Detroit. On motion, the bishop presiding appointed a court of review as follows: J. S. Smart, chairman; Wm. Q. Burnett, A. J. Bigelow, Wm. Taylor, I. H. Riddick, J. W. Holt, D. B. Millar, D. J. Odell, J. Horton, R. L. Cope, R. Bird, H. Palmer, A. S. Fair, J. VanEvery, and J. E. Whalen. D. Casler was appointed to represent the Church with J. Frazer as assistant. J. Levington announced that he would serve as his own counsel. J. F. Berry, being elected an assistant Secretary, was placed in charge of the records.

S. Reed, J. M. Arnold, J. Russell, W. H. Shier and H. C. Northrup were appointed a committee to consider the questions of Conference boundaries, and our work in Northern Michigan.

T. G. Potter, A. R. Bartlett and J. O. Bancroft, were appointed a committee to raise money to pay the expenses of the suit relating to the Church at Newark.



On motion of J. F. Davidson the rules of order governing the last session were adopted to govern the present one.

A document relating to collections for the support of the Bishops, apportioning twelve hundred dollars to be raised by his Conference, was referred to the presiding elders to be apportioned among the various charges to be raised. It was further voted to call the attention of the Book Committee to the inequitable sum apportioned, as compared with the sums apportioned to other Conferences.

A document from the Book Concern was referred to the Committee on Sunday Schools.

The report of the general Book Committee was referred to the Committee on Periodicals.

Documents relating to the Freedmen were referred to the Committee on that subject.

A call from the Book agents for \$700 to pay the expenses of the next general Conference, was referred for apportionment to the districts to W. E. Bigelow, J. S. Smart and S. Clements.

J. M. Phillips of the New York Book Concern, and Rev. W. H. Poole, LL.D., of the Toronto Conference of the Methodist Church in Canada were introduced to the Conference.

A. R. Bartlett was authorized to pay \$26.08 on the basis of the claim of one hundred dollars allowed to Mrs. Greenski in 1878, (before it was learned that she was re married),—to the Stewards for re-distribution at this Session.

THE TENTH DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was considered, and the characters of J. M. Fuller, W. X. Ninde, D. Casler, R. S. Pardington, H. N. Brown, A. W. Wilson, L. C. York, J. G. Morgan, W. Hagadorn, J. B. Atchinson, A. F. Hoyt, W. W. Washburn, S. Clements, F. Bradley, J. M. Gordon, F. W. Warren, W. J. Clack, D. A. Perrin, A. Edwards, J. M. Arnold, L. R. Fiske, L. W. Pilcher, G. R. Davis, W. H. Shier, A. J. Bigelow, J. A. McIlwain, D. Whiteley, E. W. Frazee, G. Taylor, J. Horton, J. C. Wortley, E. P. Pearce, J. M. VanEvery, S. B. Kimmell, R. B. Pope, W. E. Dunning, J. L. Hudson, L. P. Davis, T. Seelye, J. Frazer, Wm. Tuttle, J. B. Russell, D. R. Shier, O. J. Perrin, Geo. Stowe, D. W. Misener, B. F. Cocker,

A. F. Bourns, Wm. Taylor, D. M. Ward, J. B. Goss, W. C. Way, N. G. Lyons, R. C. Lanning, W. Birdsall, J. J. Hodge, D. W. Giberson, J. E. Withey, E. Craven, J. F. Davidson, W. Q. Burnett, S. L. Ramsdall, R. Copp, F. E. York, and C. L. Church, all being Elders, were examined and passed.

S. Clements, J. A. McIlwain, T. Stalker, S. Reed, B. S. Taylor, and J. Hamilton were appointed a Committee on Conference relations.

It was ordered that at the hour of ten, on Friday morning, September 12th, the election of Delegates to the General Conference of 1880 shall be the special order of the day.

The Conference adjourned, notices were given and the Benediction was pronounced by A. J. Bigelow.

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## SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY Morning, Sept. 11, 1879.

The Conference met at half-past eight. Bishop Bowman in the chair.

The religious services were conducted by George Taylor.

The Journal of the previous Session was read and approved.

The roll of absentees from the previous Session was called and the following answered to their names: Richard McConnell, Robert Bird, William Benson, Benjamin F. Pritchard, Samuel P. Lee, T. J. Joslin, Orlando Sanborn, R. Gage, H. O. Parker, J. G. Whitcomb, E. E. Caster, B. F. Cocker, T. C. Higgins, Jesse Kilpatrick, J. B. Russell, J. Wesley, G. W. Lowe, R. S. Pardington, T. G. Potter, C. W. Austin, Geo. Wilson, N. W. Pierce, Isaac Johnson, S. J. Brown, C. Simpson, L. L. Houghton, G. M. Lyon, C. T. Allen, E. Steer, T. Wilkinson, J. L. Walker, W. Allington, H. W. Thompson, J. H. Morton, W. H. Osborne, F. Coates, J. E. Diverty, and D. A. Perrin.

The transfer of Jeremiah H. Bayliss from Southeast Indiana Conference was read, and his name was placed on the roll.

The Conference went into session in its corporate capacity, during which Secretary S. Reed read the minutes, and announced that the terms as trustees of J. M. Fuller, S. Clements and Seth Reed had expired. Secretary Reed was directed to cast the ballots of the corporate conference for the same persons as trustees to serve the regular term as their own successors.

The Conference proper resumed its sittings.

L. R. Fiske presented the report of the Trustees of Albion College which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Rev. Dr. Hartzell, editor of the *Southwestern Christian Advocate*, New Orleans; Rev. G. M. Tuthill, agent of the American Bible Society; Rev. Elon Foster, of New York Conference, and Rev. W. H. Cairnduff, of the Toronto Conference of the Methodist Church in Canada were introduced.

THE FOURTH DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was considered; J. Mileson Kerridge, Wm. H. Allman, and David McFawn were admitted into full connection and elected to Deacons orders; J. C. Higgins was discontinued at his own request; Henry W. Wright an Elder, Oscar W. Willits a Deacon, Alfonso Crane a Deacon, and John Sweet a Deacon were admitted into full connection. William George, who is absent in Europe was continued on trial.

Pending action upon the admission of one of the Candidates a motion to request him to discontinue the use of tobacco was made, but it was withdrawn. The entire question of using tobacco was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

The Committee on Boundaries and on our Church work in Northern Michigan made a report which was adopted. [See Reports, A.]

A. B. Clough, O. W. Willits and A. F. Hoyt were added to the Committee on Statistics

It was ordered that a copy of the printed minutes of the present session, corrected by the Secretary, be the official Journal of the present session.

The Conference was adjourned, notices were given and the Benediction was pronounced by D. C. Jacokes.

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### THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY Morning, Sept. 12, 1879.

The Conference met at the appointed hour. Bishop Bowman presiding.

John McEldowney and Rev. Leonard B. Gurley, D. D., the latter a pioneer who preached in this region fifty years ago, conducted the opening religious services.

A paper relating to the Garrett Biblical Institute was referred to the Committee on Ministerial Education.

J. S. Smart, president of the Court in the Levington appeal case, reported as follows :

The Committee to which was referred the appeal of Rev. John Levington from the decision of the Simpson Quarterly Conference of the M. E. Church, Detroit District, whereby he was suspended from the functions of the ministry, after patient and careful consideration of the same unanimously voted to refuse said decision.

J. S. SMART, *Chairman.*

J. F. BERRY, *Assistant Secretary.*

A communication from the General Secretary of the Ladies and Pastors' Christian Union was referred to the Secretary of that Union in Detroit Conference.

A communication from the Presbytery of Monroe protesting against Militia encampments on Sunday was referred to the Committee on Sanctity of the Sabbath.

J. M. Arnold, J. S. Smart and S. Reed, together with laymen Geo. O. Robinson, W. M. McConnell and B. W. Huston, were appointed a committee to co-operate with the Presiding Elder in efforts to raise the money contemplated in the report of the Committee on Church Work in the Northern part of the State.

The Consideration of the TENTH DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was resumed: The characters of I. N. Elwood, H. S. White, J. F. Berry, J. W. Holt, W. J. Campbell, J. S. Joslin, J. Maywood, R. Bird, H. Nankervis, A. Whitcomb, B. S. Taylor, J. R. Noble, J. L. Walker, M. J. Scott, Wm. Fox, J. Balls, L. Barnes, C. Simpson, John Kelly, A. R. Hazen, W. M. Campbell, S. P. Lee, C. M. Anderson, A. J. Richards, J. Russell, J. E. Whalen, J. Hamilton, J. S. Paull, D. A. Curtis, D. B. Millar, I. Wilcox, H. Palmer, T. G. Omans, I. Johnson, S. J. Brown, W. H. Thompson, J. M. Johnston and W. Allington, were examined and passed.

J. M. Johnston and Wm. Allington were placed on the Supernumerary list.

The EIGHTH DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was considered. The characters of E. H. Brockway and P. Marksman were passed, and they were continued on the Supernumerary list. The character of D. C. Jacokes was passed and he was made effective with view to his appointment as chaplain of the Michigan Insane Asylum at Pontiac.

The NINTH DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was considered; the characters of S. Bessey, Geo. Wilson, J. B. Varnum, S. Calkins, E. R. Hascall and R. C. Crane were passed and they were continued on the Superannuated list.

The special order of the day was taken up. Prior to balloting it was ordered that the first five persons who should receive the largest vote as delegates and all of whom should receive a majority of the ballots cast, should be declared elected delegates to the General Conference of 1880.

A motion to vote for one delegate at a time was laid on the table. R. B. Pope, R. S. Pardington and W. W. Washburn were appointed tellers.

It was announced that the Conference is entitled to five delegates.

The ballots therefore were collected and the tellers retired to count them.

Rev. Dr. D. Curry, of the *National Repository*, and Rev. Dr. J. M. Walden, of the Western Book Concern were intro-

duced and both addressed the Conference on their respective interests.

The consideration of the NINTH DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was resumed; the characters of M. B. Wilsey, J. E. Parker, E. Klumph, Wm. Benson, E. Van Norman, L. Mitchell, H. Hood, D. B. Tracy, A. Bell, John Gray, E. B. Prindle, L. Lee, J. Pugh, F. A. Blades, P. O. Johnson, R. McConnell, M. Hickey, J. Dobbins, T. Wakelin, Ira W. Donelson, E. Steele, I. H. Camburn, E. Westlake, C. Mosher, A. Allen, Wm. Donnelly, T. C. Gardner, W. M. Triggs, J. S. Sutton, A. R. Laing and D. W. Hammond, were passed and they were continued on the Superannuated list. The characters of L. H. Dean, J. S. Priestley, and B. H. Hedger were passed and they were made effective.

The SEVENTH DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was considered; the characters of J. E. Jacklin and Alvah G. Blood, were passed and they were elected to Elders Orders. The character of D. C. Challis, missionary to Bulgaria, was passed and he was continued in the second class of Deacons.

The SIXTH DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was considered; the character of Walter Preston was passed and he was located at his own request.

The THIRD DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was considered; A. J. Holmes, Paul Des Jardins and Charles H. Talmadge, were continued on trial.

The consideration of the TENTH DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was resumed; the characters of C. T. Allen, G. W. Owen, H. O. Parker, D. J. Odell, J. H. Caster, A. S. Fair, C. W. Austin, S. E. Warren, J. M. Truscott, H. Hodskiss, N. W. Pierce, L. L. Houghton, T. Nichols, J. E. Diverty, J. A. Dunlap, A. B. Wood, Wm. Tuttle, J. B. Russell, J. Venning, T. J. Joslin, L. S. Tedman, R. Gage, W. H. Benton, E. E. Caster, O. Sanborn, E. Dawe, T. Stalker, T. Wilkinson, J. Wesley, J. G. Whitcomb, J. E. Withey, O. Whitmore, E. Steer, T. G. Potter, W. H. Pearce, J. H. Kilpatrick, and G. M. Lyon, were passed.

It was ordered that the Capac Church be specially commended to the Church Extension Board.

Bishop Bowman made a statement concerning Ames Methodist Episcopal Church in New Orleans, and the Conference gave a collection of \$68.38 for the benefit of said Church.

The TENTH DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was further considered; the characters of F. Coates, S. Bird, G. W. Lowe, J. S. Joslin and J. H. Morton, were passed.

The tellers returned and made the following report of the first ballot for delegates to the General Conference :

FIRST BALLOT.

Whole Number of ballots cast.....	185
Necessary to a choice.....	93
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James Shirley Smart received.....	145
Arthur Edwards received.....	134
Wm. Henry Shier received.....	99

These having received a majority were declared duly elected delegates to the General Conference of 1880. The Conference ordered that the votes for those not elected should not be recorded.

The second ballots were collected and the tellers retired to count them.

Pending this count, the Conference adjourned, and the Benediction was pronounced by Rev. Dr. L. B. Gurley.

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## FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY Morning, Sept. 13, 1879.

The Conference met at the usual time. Bishop Bowman presiding.

Luther Lee conducted the opening religious services.

The Journal was read and approved.

The report of the second ballot taken on Friday, pending the count of which, the Conference had adjourned on that day, was announced as follows :

## SECOND BALLOT.

Votes cast.....	150
Necessary to a choice.....	76
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Alanson R Bartlett received.....	105

and was formally declared duly elected delegate to the General Conference of 1880.

The third ballot was ordered for the fifth and last delegate. J. L. Hudson was appointed a teller to serve in the place of W. W. Washburn, absent. The votes were collected and the tellers retired to count them.

D. Casler, Conference Treasurer, made a report concerning the plan for receiving Conference funds, ordered in 1878.

D. C. Jacokes addressed the Conference respecting the plans and work of the State Board of Health of which he is a member.

The tellers returned and reported the result of the third ballot as follows :

## THIRD BALLOT.

Votes cast.....	178
Necessary to a choice.....	90
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John Russell received.....	105

and he was declared duly elected a delegate to the General Conference of 1880.

A ballot for two Reserve Delegates was ordered, was cast, and the tellers retired to count it.

The TWENTY-FIRST DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was considered: Matthew C. Hawks, from Tawas City Quarterly Conference, and Harvey Casler from Fort Gratiot Quarterly Conference, were elected to Local Deacons Orders.

J. M. Arnold was appointed to act as a committee to confer with a committee from Michigan Conference on the question of boundaries.

A motion to strike from the Superannuate list all Conference claimants who have not furnished information concerning themselves, was laid on the table.

The special committee appointed to the work described by itself as follows, reported and the report was adopted :



The committee appointed to consider the subject of General Conference expenses and to apportion them among the several Districts, respectfully report: The amount asked of this Conference is \$700. We have apportioned this amount as follows: To Detroit District, \$150; Adrian District, \$150; Flint District, \$150; Saginaw District, \$100; Port Huron District, \$100; Lake Superior District, \$50; Total, \$700. We recommend that the Presiding Elders divide this amount among the several charges for collection.

S. CLEMENTS, *Secretary*.

THE TENTH DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was further considered and the characters of A. R. Bartlett and H. C. Northrup, were passed.

The tellers returned, and, before their report, it was ordered that the two persons who had received the highest number of votes should be declared elected reserve delegates. The report was then made as follows:

FOURTH BALLOT—FOR RESERVES.

Number of votes cast.....	165
Necessary to a choice.....	83
Isaac N. Elwood received.....	126
John M. Arnold received.....	71

These two brethren were therefore declared elected Reserve delegates to the General Conference of 1880.

The Twentieth Question was considered. Washington Street Church at Bay City, Saginaw City, Central Church, Detroit, and Port Huron, were nominated as the seat of the Session of 1880. A count vote of 107 fixed the seat of the session at Bay City and the vote was made unanimous.

Rev. E. H. Pilcher, D. D., of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada was introduced.

Wm. X. Ninde offered the following resolution which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Ministerial Education is instructed to inquire into the expediency of holding a Pastor's Institute or Theological Union during unappropriated hours of our next session, for the special benefit of such of our younger preachers as may desire its advantages.

THE TENTH DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was further considered and the characters of N. N. Clark, I. H. Riddick, T. H. Baskerville, Wm. Dawe, John Atkinson, J. S. Smart, C. Gibbs,

F. E. Pierce, J. G. Sparling, G. H. Field, R. L. Cope, Geo. Nixon, J. H. Curnalia, R. Woodhams, L. N. Moon, E. Foster, W. E. Bigelow, J. O. Bancroft, S. Reed, J. W. Crippen, A. B. Clough, C. R. Kellerman, H. W. Hicks, P. G. Wright, J. W. Campbell, W. H. Osborn, F. Strong, J. H. McIntosh, H. H. Smith, O. B. Hale and Newell Newton, were passed.

The THIRD DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was considered, and the characters of probationers Nathan L. Guthrie and John H. McCune, both having been transferred from East Ohio Conference were passed and they were continued on trial.

Richard Copp was granted a location at his own request.

The committee to make nominations for the Session of 1880 made the following report, which was laid on the table for confirmation at the coming session :

#### COMMITTEES FOR 1880.

*Public Worship*—The Presiding Elder and Pastor.

*Education*—Samuel Clements, T. Stalker, O. W. Willits.

*Ministerial Education*—J. McEldowney, H. C. Northrup, T. G. Potter.

*Conference Stewards*—H. O. Parker, N. N. Clark, J. M. VanEvery.

*Missions*—The Presiding Elders.

*Bible Cause*—W. W. Washburn, J. A. McIlwain, A. G. Blood.

*Temperance*—D. C. Jacokes, John Hamilton, E. E. Caster.

*Sanctity of the Sabbath*—J. M. Arnold, W. H. Pierce, Thos. Wilkinson.

*Parsonages*—A. F. Bourns, D. R. Shier, F. Strong.

*Postoffices*—

*Memoirs*—A. J. Bigelow, D. W. Misener, J. J. Hodge.

*Mission Auditors*—J. M. Gordon, C. W. Austin, J. W. Campbell.

*Sunday Schools and Tracts*—Wm. Dawe, D. B. Millar, C. R. Kellerman.

*Church Extension*—J. S. Smart, G. W. Lowe, H. W. Thompson.

*Freedmen's Cause*—L. Barns, H. S. White, G. H. Fields.

*Periodicals*—J. Kelly, Isaac Wilcox, John S. Paull.

*Statistics*—A. B. Clough, Isaac H. Riddick, L. P. Davis, Geo. Stowe, J. L. Walker.

*Conference Claimants*—W. Q. Burnett, A. B. Wood, O. Whitmore, R. Bird, S. Reed, D. A. Curtis.

*Debts Due the Book Concern*—O. J. Perrin, E. W. Frazee, F. E. York.

*Conference Treasurer*—David Casler.

*To Publish Minutes*—

*To Nominate Committee for 1881*—

Mrs. W. C. Willing, Corresponding Secretary of the Northwestern Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was introduced and the lady addressed the Conference concerning the Society in question.

The NINTH DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was further considered. The character of A. Gee was passed and he was continued on the Superannuated list. The character of T. C. Higgins was passed and he was made effective.

The Committee on the Sanctity of the Sabbath made their report pending discussion on which the Conference adjourned while William Donnelly was speaking.

Notices were given, and John Atkinson pronounced the Benediction.

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## FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY Forenoon, Sept. 15, 1879.

The Conference met at half-past eight. Bishop Bowman presiding. D. C. Jakes conducted the opening religious services.

The Journal was read and approved.

A draft for Thirty Dollars (\$30), upon the chartered fund was ordered.

Bishop presented the following certificates of ordination on Sunday, September 14th.

This certifies that on the 14th day of September, 1879, at Ann Arbor, Michigan, I ordained James M. Kerridge, William H. Allman, David McFawn, Mathew C. Hawks and Harvey Casler, Local Deacons in the Church of God.

THOS. BOWMAN,

This certifies, that on the 14th day of September, 1879, assisted by several Elders, I ordained James E. Jacklin and Alvah G. Blood, Elders in the Church of God. Done at Ann Arbor, Michigan.

THOS. BOWMAN.

The report of the Committee on the Sanctity of the Sabbath, pending when the Saturday Session adjourned, was further considered. The second resolution appended to the report was warmly debated. A motion to refer said resolution to the Presiding Elders was laid on the table. The following substitute was laid on the table :

*Resolved*, That we recommend to our Presiding Elders and others having charge of general religious gathering not to appoint any such meetings to be held over the Sabbath, unless under circumstances that will warrant the proper protection of the Sabbath from desecration by the running of excursion trains, or by other methods common on such occasions.

O. WHITMORE,

I. N. ELWOOD.

The resolution as printed in the report was adopted. It being claimed that the Conference did not understand the issue when it voted to adopt the resolution, it was moved to reconsider the vote. The motion to reconsider was laid on the table, and the report as a whole was adopted. [See Reports, **B.**]

Rev. J. M. Reid a Corresponding Secretary of our General Missionary Society, addressed the Conference on the methods, works and results of the Society.

The Committee on Bible Cause made a report which was adopted. [See Reports, **C.**]

The Mission Auditors made their report which was adopted. [See Reports, **D.**]

The Tenth Question was further considered. The character of E. E. Pearman was passed. When the name of Edward Barry was called the following resolution was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the case of Bro. E. Barry be referred to the Presiding Elder of Detroit District, for examination during the interim of the Conference, and that he be left without an appointment.

W. E. BIGELOW,

J. M. GORDON.

The following resolution was adopted upon the motion of W. E. Bigelow :

WHEREAS, The committee in the Newark Church case last year found after Conference that an appeal had been taken to Supreme Court, and

WHEREAS, They could not therefore secure funds to pay the attorney's fees as they have been directed to do, and

WHEREAS, Our attorneys refused to act further without funds, in which case the suit would have gone by default, and the cost perhaps \$1,000 would have been thrown upon the Conference, Therefore

*Resolved*, That we indorse the action of the committee in raising \$200, to pay attorney fees that the suit might be settled in the court.

The SECOND DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was further considered. John M. Shank duly recommended by Dansville; Orton W. Winton, by Manchester; William J. Bailey, by Sixteenth St. Church, Detroit; Charles H. Morgan, by Fenton; John W. Chapman, by Corunna; Matthew C. Hawks, by Tawas City; Thomas B. McGee, by Alcona; George A. Maywood, by Memphis; Perry R. Parrish, by Algonac; John B. Oliver, by Crosswell; Lambert E. Lennox, by Monroe Memorial Church, Charlestown, Massachusetts, and George A. Walker, by Bad Axe Quarterly Conferences, were admitted on trial.

It was ordered that an afternoon session be held. Bishop Bowman appointed John Russell to preside at said session. The Conference adjourned and the Benediction was pronounced by W. X. Ninde.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

MONDAY, Sept. 15, 1879.

The Conference met at half-past two o'clock in the afternoon as ordered at the forenoon session, John Russell in the Chair.

Orrin Whitmore conducted the introductory worship.

The Journal of the Morning Session was read and approved.

The following resolution relating to a memorial from the Presbytery of Monroe was passed unanimously.

*Resolved*, That we most heartily concur with the action of the Presbytery of Monroe, protesting against the Sabbath desecration connected with the annual encampments of the State Militia, and in order to avoid the Sabbath excursions and violations of the liquor law, etc., promoted by them, we join our petition with theirs to the State authorities having control that such change be made in the date of assembling the encampments that they may not hereafter be held over the Sabbath.

J. S. SMART,  
ARTHUR EDWARDS.

The visitors to Albion College made a report which was received and placed on file.

The Committee on Education made a report which was adopted. [See Reports, **E.**]

It was ordered that the Conference Secretary be authorized to cast the ballot of the Conference for the trustees named in the report of the committee on Education. The ballot was duly cast and David Preston and Otis A. Pritchett were elected to succeed themselves as trustees of Albion College. The visitors named in the report were appointed.

Arthur Edwards and Wm. W. Washburn were elected trustees of the Northwestern University.

The report on Sunday Schools and tracts made a report which was adopted. [See Reports, **F.**]

The Conference Stewards made a report which was approved. [See answers to Disciplinary Questions, 18 and 19.]

The Committee on Statistics made a report. The totals for the Conference were read and the frequent items of decrease prompted the Conference to authorize J. McEldowney and J. S. Smart, together with the Chairman of the Committee on Statistics, to construct a foot note to the statistical tables explaining the items of decrease. [See Reports, **G.**]

It was ordered that the Bishop presiding at future sessions of the Conference be requested when the character of a preacher is examined, to ask, in addition to other questions, whether or not he has given in his statistical returns to the committee.

It was ordered that each pastor during his term of service in a charge shall write, or cause to be written in the Church records, a history of the said Church.

The Committee on Church Extension made a report which was adopted. [See Reports, **H.**]

The Conference adjourned until half-past seven o'clock, this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

MONDAY, Sept. 15, 1879.

The Conference reassembled at half-past seven o'clock, John Russell in the Chair. W. X. Ninde, conducted the opening service.

The Journal of the afternoon session was read and approved.

The Committee on Temperance made its report which was adopted. [See Reports, **I.**]

The Committee on Memoirs made a report which was adopted. [See Reports, **J.**]

Rev. J. H. Bayliss, D.D., was introduced.

The committee to construct a foot note to the Statistical Report, reported the note which will be found appended to the tables.

The Conference adjourned.

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SIXTH DAY,

TUESDAY Morning, Sept. 16, 1879.

The Conference met at eight o'clock, Bishop Bowman in the Chair.

J. H. Bayliss conducted the opening worship.

The Journal was read and approved.

The Conference Treasurer made his report which was approved. [See Reports, **K.**].

The FIRST DISCIPLINARY QUESTION was considered and Ellis H. Heagler, from Ohio Conference was re-admitted upon a certificate of location from Ohio Conference, dated Sept. 30, 1878. Wm. H. Cairnduff, was received into full connection from the Methodist Church in Canada, he having presented his ordination parchments given him June 7th, 1874.

Theron C. Higgins who was taken from the Superannuated list at this Session and made effective, was replaced upon the Superannuate list.

Samuel B. Kimmell was placed on the Supernumerary list.

The following moved by J. S. Smart and seconded by W. H. Shier was passed.

*Resolved*, That on the Sunday before Christmas we will each in our respective charges take collections for the Superannuate preachers Aid Society and forward the same to David Preston, at Detroit.

The following was approved :

The Stewards are unable to make the usual report of Pastoral claims and receipts, because of the manner pursued this year in making Statistical reports, there being no discrimination made between the Pastors' and Presiding Elders' claims and receipts. The Stewards would recommend, that a "Conference Steward's Ministerial Blank" be prepared so that the claims and receipts of Pastors, Presiding Elders' claims shall appear, and also the amount for Superannuated Preachers collected, and this blank to be enclosed in the present Treasurer's envelope.

The Conference requested Bishop Bowman to appoint John M. Arnold the agent of the Superannuated Preachers' Aid Society.

The Committee on Freedmen's Cause made a report which was adopted. [See Reports, **L.**].

The committee to report on the Port Huron Church rebuilding enterprise, made a report which was adopted. [See Reports, **M.**] The appointment of a day for collections was made, as requested by the Detroit Lay Electoral Conference. The report [**M.**] so adopted contains the request.

The Committee on Periodicals made a report which was adopted. [See Reports, **N.**]

The Committee on Parsonages made a report which was adopted. [See Reports, **O.**]

The following resolutions of thanks were heartily adopted :

*Resolved*, That we hereby express our sincere thanks to the members and friends of the Ann Arbor Church for their great kindness and hospitality in entertaining our Conference during its present session.



2. Our thanks are tendered to the thoughtful ladies who have so tastefully decorated the Church, and in many other ways shown us no little kindness.

3. We also express our unfeigned gratitude to Rev. R. B. Pope, the indefatigable pastor of this Church for the cordial welcome given us, and the efficient and eminently satisfactory manner in which he has arranged for our entertainment.

4. Our thanks are also tendered to Mr. Stephen Adams, the Janitor of the Church, who has so faithfully performed his duties during the session.

5. We also return thanks to the Rev. D. B. Tracy, for his services in securing reduced rates on the different Railroads; and to the Railroad Companies for reduced rates of passage.

J. F. BERRY,  
J. B. ATCHINSON.

A resolution was adopted welcoming Luther Lee to the pulpits of the Conference to preach or lecture.

David Casler resigned his place as Conference Treasurer and nominated H. C. Northrup as his successor. The Conference confirmed the nomination.

The Committee on Missions made their report which was adopted as follows:

## MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS 1879-80.

LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT—Menominee.....		\$200 00
Escanaba.....	50 00	
Sault Ste. Marie.....	78 00	
L'Anse .....	125 00	
South Sault Ste. Marie.....	30 00	
		————\$863 00
SAGINAW DISTRICT—Pinconning.....		\$40 00
Rifle River.....	20 00	
St. Charles.....	50 00	
Owosso.....	50 00	
Burton.....	50 00	
Hope.....	40 00	
		————\$250 00
DETROIT DISTRICT—Webberville.....		\$80 00
ADRIAN DISTRICT—Lima.....		\$80 00
FLINT DISTRICT—Clarkston.....		\$80 00

PORT HURON DISTRICT—Mead.....	\$ 45 00
Bad Axe.....	100 00
White Rock.....	70 00
Sandusky.....	100 00
Capac.....	100 00
Imlay City.....	100 00
	<hr/> \$515 00
ALPENA DISTRICT—District.....	\$300 00
Alpena Mission.....	50 00
Alcona.....	40 00
Tawas City.....	50 00
Presque Isle.....	50 00
Cheboygan.....	100 00
Gaylord.....	42 00
	<hr/> 632 00
Total.....	<hr/> \$2,500 00

## INDIAN MISSIONS.

SAGINAW DISTRICT—Taymouth Indian Mission.....	\$110 00
Saganing Indian Mission.....	125 00
LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT—Kewawenon.....	\$100 00
Iroquois.....	125 00
Hannahville.....	75 00
Superintendent.....	175 00
	<hr/> \$700 00

W. H. SHIER, *Sect. of the Com.*

I concur in the above,

THOS. BOWMAN.

Bishop Bowman announced the following :

## COMMITTEES TO EXAMINE.

*For Reception on Trial*—Wesley Hagadorn, W. E. Dunning, W. H. Benton.

*For First Year*—J. McEldowney, D. A. Perrin, Isaac Wilcox.

*For Second Year*—L. P. Davis, J. M. Gordon, F. E. York.

*For Third Year*—W. J. Campbell, R. Woodhams, O. B. Hale.

*For Fourth Year*—B. S. Taylor, T. Wilkinson, W. H. Osborn.

*Local Deacons*—T. Stalker, A. B. Wood, W. W. Washburn.

*Local Elders*—W. M. Campbell, J. M. VanEvery, J. W. Campbell.

*To Preach Missionary Sermon*—B. S. Taylor, John Atkinson, alternate.

*Church Extension Board*—See Conference officers.

S. Clements, B. S. Taylor, J. S. Smart, W. J. Campbell, John Russell, W. E. Bigelow and D. C. Jacokes were elected Triers of Appeals.

A resolution enthusiastically approving Bishop Bowman's impartial, satisfactory and able presidency during the present session and declaring a welcome in advance when he shall come among us again—being put to vote by the Secretary, was unanimously carried by a rising vote.

A. R. Bartlett resigned his place on the committee on the Newark Church, and nominated T. J. Joslin to succeed him. The nomination was approved by the Conference.

The Committee on Ministerial Education made a report which was adopted. [See Reports, **P.**]

The visitors to Albion College made a report which was ordered to be printed. [See Reports, **Q.**]

The following was cordially and unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That we most highly appreciate the labors among us of Russel B. Pope, who has just now completed his full term as pastor at Ann Arbor. We heartily commend him to our brethren of the Rock River Conference as an efficient pastor and worthy co-worker. When he choses to return to us we shall give him a royal welcome.

It was ordered that after prayer, and reading of the appointments, the Conference should stand adjourned. Prayer was offered by R. B. Pope, Bishop Bowman read the appointments, and the Twenty Fourth Session of the Detroit Conference came to an end.

THOS. BOWMAN, *President.*

ARTHUR EDWARDS, *Secretary.*

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

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QUESTION 1. *Have any Entered this Conference by transfer or re-admission?*

ANSWER.—*By transfer*—John McEldowney, from Utah Conference; Jeremiah H. Bayliss, from Southeast Indiana Conference. *By Re-admission*—Ellis H. Heagler. *By deposit of orders*—from Methodist Church in Canada. William H. Cairnduff—4.

QUESTION 2. *Who are admitted on trial?*

ANSWER.—John M. Shank, Orton W. Winton, William J. Bailey, Charles H. Morgan, John W. Chapman, Matthew C. Hawks, Thomas B. McGee, George A. Maywood, Perry R. Parrish, John B. Oliver, Lambert E. Lennox, George A. Walker—12.

QUESTION 3. *Who remain on trial?*

ANSWER.—William George, Alexander J. Holmes, Paul Des Jardins, Charles H. Talmadge, Nathan L. Guthrie, John H. McCune—6.

QUESTION 4. *Who are admitted into full connection?*

ANSWER.—J. Mileson Kerridge, Wm. H. Allman, David McFawn, Henry W. Wright, Oscar W. Willits, Alfonso Crane, John Sweet—7.

QUESTION 5. *Who are Deacons of the First Class?*

ANSWER.—J. Mileson Kerridge, Wm. H. Allman, David McFawn—3.

QUESTION 6. *Who are Deacons of the Second Class?*

ANSWER.—Dewitt C. Challis, [as to examinations]—Oscar W. Willits, Alfonso Crane, John Sweet—4.

QUESTION 7. *Who have been elected and ordained Elders?*

ANSWER.—James E. Jacklin, Alvah G. Blood—2.

QUESTION 8. *Who are the supernumerary Preachers?*

ANSWER.—J. Milton Johnston, William Allington, E. H. Brockway, Peter Marksman, Samuel B. Kimmell—5.

QUESTION 9. *Who are the superannuated Preachers?*

ANSWER.—S. Bessey, George Wilson, J. B. Varnum, S. Calkins, E. R. Hascall, R. C. Crane, M. B. Wilsey, J. E. Parker, E. Klumph, Wm. Benson, E. Van Norman, L. Mitchell, H. Hood, D. B. Tracy, Andrew Bell John Gray, E. B. Prindle, Luther Lee, John Pugh, F. A. Blades, P. O. Johnson, R. McConnell, J. Dobbins, T. Wakelin, Ira W. Donelson, E. Steele, E. Westlake, Ira H. Camburn, Curtis Mosher, Alexander Gee, Alfred Allen, M. Hickey, Wm. Donnelly, A. R. Laing, T. C. Gardner, Wm. M. Triggs, T. C. Higgins, Daniel W. Hammond, Joseph S. Sutton—39.

QUESTION 10. *Was the character of each preacher examined?*

ANSWER.—Yes. The names of the preachers were all called in open session, as the Journal shows, and their characters examined as the Discipline requires.

QUESTION 11. *Have any located?*

ANSWER.—Yes. Walter Preston, Richard Copp—2.

QUESTION 12. *Have any withdrawn?*

ANSWER.—No.

QUESTION 13. *Have any been transferred, and to what Conference?*

ANSWER.—George S. Hickey and Duncan M. Ward, to Michigan Conference; Russel Bigelow Pope, to Rock River Conference—3.

QUESTION 14. *Have any been expelled?*

ANSWER.—No.

QUESTION 15. *Have any died?*

ANSWER.—Yes. William Mahon, May 24th, 1879, and Robert Triggs at Ripon, Wis., January 8, 1879—2.—See Memoirs.

QUESTION 16. *What is the statistical report?*

ANSWER.—See Statistical Report.]

QUESTION 17. *What are the claims upon the Conference fund?*

ANSWER.—Amount necessary for Superannuated, Widows  
and Orphans.....\$5,450 00

QUESTION 18. (1) *What has been received on the foregoing claims, and* (2) *how has the money been applied?*

ANSWER.—(1.)

From Circuits and Stations.....	\$1,168 90
From Chartered Fund.....	30 00
Collection at Conference Love-Feast.....	106 89
Amount apportioned to Mrs. Greensky last year, and returned by Rev A. R. Bartlett.....	26 08
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	\$1,331 87
Paid J. M. Arnold for money borrowed last year, to pay claims for Mrs. Elisha Bibbons,	26 00
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	\$1,305 87

ANSWER.—(2.)

This amount has been applied as follows.

BENEFICIARY.	CLAIM.	ALLOWED.	TO WHOM DELIVERED.
Sylvester Calkins.....	\$200 00	\$47 93	F. Bradley.....
E. Van Norman.....	200 00	47 93	S. B. Kimmell.....
J. S. Priestly.....	200 00	47 93	Self.....
L. H. Dean.....	200 00	47 93	H. N. Brown.....
E. Westlake.....	200 00	47 93	Self.....
Geo. Wilson.....	200 00	47 93	H. N. Brown.....
M. B. Wilsey.....	100 00	23 95	E. H. Heagler.....
Samuel Bessey.....	200 00	47 93	S. Reed.....
A. R. Laing.....	200 00	47 93	W. J. Campbell.....
Erastus Klumph.....	200 00	47 93	Wm. Fox.....
Wm. Donelly.....	200 00	47 93	Self.....
T. C. Higgins.....	200 00	47 93	Self.....
I. H. Camburn.....	100 00	23 95	H. N. Brown.....
John Pugh.....	200 00	47 93	Self.....
A. Gee.....	150 00	35 94	Self.....
L. Mitchell.....	100 00	23 95	H. W. Hicks.....
John Gray.....	100 00	23 95	S. Bird.....
Luther Lee.....	200 00	47 93	Self.....
Jacob Dobbins.....	200 00	47 93	H. W. Hicks.....
T. Wakelin.....	100 00	23 95	L. S. Tedman.....
R. C. Crane.....	100 00	23 95	Self.....
Wm. M. Triggs.....	300 00	71 87	J. Horton.....
Mrs. J. R. Cordon.....	200 00	47 93	T. Wilkinson.....
Mrs. Caroline Bibbins....	100 00	23 95	J. A. Dunlap.....
Mrs. G. Belknap.....	100 00	23 95	W. E. Bigelow.....
Mrs. M. J. Maywood.....	100 00	23 95	H. W. Hicks.....
Mrs. Sarah H. Wyckoff, For Wm. Mahon.....	200 00	47 93	W. E. Bigelow.....
Mrs. Wm. Hevener. ....	100 00	23 95	T. G. Potter.....
Mrs. A. C. Shaw.....	100 00	23 95	H. W. Hicks.....
Mrs. R. Todd.....	200 00	47 93	H. W. Hicks.....
Mrs. R. Dubois.....	100 00	23 95	Self.....
Mrs. Cochrane.....	200 00	47 93	R. B. Pope.....
Mrs. Shank.....	200 00	47 93	S. Reed.....
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QUESTION 19. *Where are the preacher stationed this year?*

ANSWER.—

APPOINTMENTS, 1879-80.

NOTE.—The figures in parentheses after pastors' names, denote the current number of the year's service, upon which the pastor entered at the close of this last Conference.

DETROIT DISTRICT—J. M. FULLER, P. E. (4.)

DETROIT.—

Central, J. H. Bayliss. (1).	Warren, W. H. Cairnduff. (1).
Simpson, to be supplied by W. H. Poole. (1).	Bellville, S. L. Ramsdell. (1).
Tabernacle, C. T. Allen. (3.)	Leesville, J. M. Truscott. (2).
Jefferson Avenue, R. S. Pardington. (3).	Ypsilanti, W. W. Washburn. (2).
	Salem and Northfield, L. H. Dean. (1).
Sixteenth st., L. E. Lennox. (1).	South Lyon, A. S. Fair. (1).
Fort Street, W. Q. Burnett. (3).	Brighton, J. H. Kilpatrick. (2).
Wyandotte, G. W. Owen. (2).	Howell, J. M. Gordon. (2).
Trenton, A. W. Wilson. (1).	Fowlerville, H. O. Parker. (1).
Flat Rock, N. W. Pierce. (1).	Iosco, F. W. Warren. (1).
Denton, S. Clements. (1).	Webberville, H. Hodskiss. (1).
Wayne, T. H. Baskerville. (1).	Stockbridge, G. Stowe. (1).
Dearborn, D. J. Orell. (2).	Williamston, L. C. York. (1).
Plymouth, J. G. Morgan. (2).	Dansville, B. F. Pritchard. (2).
Northville, J. E. Jacklin. (3).	Unadilla and North Lake, W. J. Clack. (2).
Walled Lake, N. N. Clark. (1).	Pinckney, L. L. Houghton. (2).
Commerce, J. G. Sparling. (1).	Hamburg and Whitmore Lake, A. F. Hoyt. (1).
Farmington, W. Hagadorn. (2).	Springwells, to be supplied.
Southfield, C. W. Austin. (2).	Greenfield, to be supplied.
Birmingham, A. R. Bartlett. (1).	
New Boston, J. H. Caster. (1).	
	Royal Oak, H. N. Brown. (1).

Arthur Edwards, Editor *Northwestern Christian Advocate*, member Central Church Quarterly Conference.

J. M. Arnold, Agent Superannuated Preachers' Aid Society, member Simpson Quarterly Conference.

L. R. Fiske, President Albion College, member of Tabernacle Quarterly Conference.

W. X. Ninde, President Garrett Biblical Institute, member Central Quarterly Conference.

## ADRIAN DISTRICT—W. H. SHIER, P. E.

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| Adrian, W. H. Pearce. (2).                | Clayton, Thomas Nichols. (1).      |
| Tecumseh, A. J. Bigelow. (3).             | Augusta, W. E. Dunning. (2).       |
| Clinton and Macon, Jesse Kilpatrick, (2). | Chelsea, J. L. Hudson. (2).        |
|   | Carlton and Schofield, J. M. Ker-  |
| Manchester, J. A. McIlwain. (2).          | ridge. (3.)                        |
| Napoleon and Brooklyn, J. S. Priest-      | Dexter, L. P. Davis. (2).          |
| ly. (1).                                  | Dixboro, T. Seelye. (2).           |
| Sharon, Duke Whitely. (2).                | Lima, John W. Shank. (1).          |
| Deerfield and Petersburg, E. Dawe.        | Grass Lake, Joseph Frazer. (2).    |
| (1).                                      | Henrietta, F. Bradley. (1).        |
| Lambertville, M. J. Scott. (1).           | Milan and Oakville, J. B. Russell. |
| Blissfield, E. W. Frazee. (3).            | (2).                               |
| Palmyra, George Taylor. (2).              | Addison, O. W. Willits. (2).       |
| Morenci, Jacob Horton. (2).               | Saline, D. R. Shier. (2).          |
| Hudson, J. C. Wortley. (2).               | Monroe, O. J. Perrin. (2).         |
| Franklin, E. P. Pierce. (2).              | Medina, G. M. Lyon. (2).           |
| Ridgeway, A. B. Wood. (3).                | Waterloo, Alfonso Crane. (1).      |
| Fairfield, E. E. Pearman. (1).            | Dundee, William George. (1).       |

Ann Arbor, to be supplied.

B. F. Cocker, Professor in University of Michigan, member of Ann Arbor Quarterly Conference.

Leander W. Pilcher and Geo. R. Davis, Missionaries to North China.

## FLINT DISTRICT—T. J. JOSLIN, P. E.

## FLINT.—

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Court Street, J. Venning. (2). | Conway, G. Nixon. (1).              |
| Garland Street, A. F. Bourns.  | Milford E. H. Heagler. (2).         |
| (1).                           | Pontiac, T. Stalker. (3).           |
| Otisville, Wm. Birdsall. (1).  | Troy, E. Craven. (2).               |
| Mt Morris, L. S. Tedman. (2).  | Utica, J. F. Davidson. (2).         |
| Flushing, J. G. Whitcomb. (1). | Rochester, W. C. Way. (1).          |
| Hazelton, E. Steer. (1).       | Orion, L. Barns. (1).               |
| Swartz Creek, J. B. Goss. (2). | Gaines, J. Wesley. (2).             |
| Grand Blanc, O. Whitmore. (1). | Vernon, Wm. Taylor. (1).            |
| Davisburgh, W. H. Benton. (3). | Woodhull, J. Balls. (1).            |
| Holly, W. E. Bigelow. (1).     | Highland, L. N. Moon. (1).          |
| Fenton, E. E. Caster. (2).     | Davison, supplied by E. D. Daniels. |
| Linden, C. Simpson. (1).       | (1).                                |
| Hartland, N. G. Lyons. (3).    | Clarkston, F. E. York. (3).         |



Parshallville, O. Sanborn. (1).	Oxford, D. Casler. (1).
Byron, R. C. Lanning. (2).	Seymour Lake, R. Gage. (1).
Oak Grove, J. E. Withey. (1).	Goodrich, A. G. Blood.
Perry, J. J. Hodge. (2).	Hadley, H. W. Wright. (3).
Lapeer, T. G. Potter. (2).	

D. C. Jakes, Chaplain to Michigan Eastern Asylum, and member of Pontiac Quarterly Conference.

SAGINAW DISTRICT—J. S. SMART, P. E. (1).

Rifle River, to be supplied.	Taymouth Indian Mission, to be supplied.
Pinconning, } Saganing Ind. Mis. }	Wm. Tuttle, (1).
EAST SAGINAW:	
West Bay City, Wm. Dawe. (3).	Jefferson St., J. McEldowney. (1).
BAY CITY:	Hess St., Calvin Gibbs. (1).
Washington St., J. Atkinson. (2).	SAGINAW CITY:
Fremont Ave., J. S. Joslin. (1).	Washington Ave., I. H. Riddick.
Woodside Ave., J. E. Diverty. (1).	(1).
Caseville, J. H. McCune. (2).	Ames Church, J. W. Crippen. (2).
Bayfort, B. H. Hedger. (1).	St. Charles, A. B. Clough. (2).
Unionville, Wm. J. Bailey. (1).	Chesaning, C. R. Kellerman. (2).
Cass City, H. Palmer. (1).	West Haven, H. W. Hicks. (2).
Caro, Geo. H. Field. (2).	Corunna, S. Reed. (1).
Watrous ville, R. L. Cope. (2).	Owosso, W. H. Osborne. (2).
Reese, P. J. Wright. (2).	Bennington, Frederick Strong. (3).
Mayville, D. W. Giberson. (1).	Laingsburg, J. H. McIntosh. (2).
Millington, J. H. Curnalia. (2).	Burton, C. L. Church. (1).
Vassa, H. C. Northrup. (1).	Ingersoll, T. B. McGee. (1).
Tuscola, F. E. Pearce. (1).	Freelands, H. H. Smith. (1).
Bridgeport, E. Foster. (2).	Midland, J. O. Bancroft. (1).
Hope, J. W. Chapman. (1).	

PORT HURON DISTRICT—I. N. ELWOOD, P. E.

Port Huron, H. S. White. (2).	Deckerville, J. A. Dunlap. (1).
Fort Gratiot, Wm. Fox. (1).	Romeo, John Kelly. (3).
Marysville, J. W. Holt. (2).	Washington, D. A. Perrin. (1).
St. Clair, W. J. Campbell. (3).	Almont, S. Bird. (2).
Marine City, J. E. Whalen. (1).	Dryden, A. R. Hazen. (3).
Algonac, P. R. Parrish. (2).	Attica and Goodland, S. E. Warren. (1).
Memphis, G. A. Maywood. (2).	
Richmond, J. R. Noble. (1).	Imlay City, supplied by F. Berry. (1).
White Rock, Robert Bird. (2).	North Branch, W. M. Campbell. (2).

Tyre, S. J. Brown. (1).	Marlette, S. P. Lee. (2).
Port Hope, H. Nankervis. (2).	Mt. Vernon, C. M. Anderson. (2).
Capac, A. Whitcomb. (2).	Adair, A. J. Holmes. (1).
Port Austin, John Maywood. (1).	Brockway, F. Coates. (3).
Mt. Clemens, J. F. Berry. (1).	Ruby, O. W. Winton. (1).
New Haven and Chesterfield supplied by J. Armstrong. (1).	Lakeport, J. H. Morton. (1).
Armada, J. L. Walker. (2).	Sandusky, supplied by J. Anderson. (3).
Lexington, Thos. Wilkinson. (1).	Bad Axe, G. A. Walker. (2).
Croswell, J. B. Oliver. (2).	Meade, supplied by J. Bettses. (2).
Port Sanilac, D. McFawn. (3).	Five Lakes, supplied by F. J. Galbraith. (1).
Forester, N. L. Guthrie. (2).	

## LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT—JOHN RUSSELL, P. E.

Marquette, C. H. Morgan. (1).	Rockland, Maple Grove and Ontonagon, T. G. Omans. (3).
Negaunee, D. W. Misener. (1).	
Ishpeming, John Hamilton. (2).	Atlantic, Isaac Johnson. (2).
Republic and Champion, J. S. Pauli ; one to be supplied.	Escanaba, H. W. Thompson. (3).
L'Anse and Kawanenon Indian Mission, D. A. Curtis. (1).	Monistique, to be supplied.
Houghton, B. S. Taylor. (1).	Menominee, O. B. Hale, (1).
Hancock, J. M. VanEvery. (1).	Menominee Range, to be supplied.
Calumet, G. W. Lowe. (2).	Sault Ste Marie, D. B. Millar. (1).
Lake Linden, I. Wilcox. (1).	South Sault Ste Marie, supplied by W. Donelson. (1).
Phoenix & Central, J. Sweet. (1).	Hannahville Indian Mission, supplied by Peter Marksman.

## ALPENA DISTRICT—A. J. RICHARDS, P. E. (1).

Alpena, J. W. Campbell. (1).	East Tawas, J. B. Atchinson. (1).
" Mission, William H. Allen. (1).	Tawas City, M. C. Hawks. (1).
Alcona, R. Des Jardins. (1).	Presque Isle, to be supplied.
Harrisville, C. H. Talmadge. (2).	Cheboygan, N. Newton. (1).
Oscoda, R. Woodhams. (1).	Burt Lake, to be supplied.
Oscoda Indian Mission, to be supplied.	Gaylord, to be supplied.
	Roscommon, to be supplied.
	Ogemaw, to be supplied.

Dewitt C. Challis, Missionary to Bulgaria.

D. M. Ward and Geo. S. Hickey transferred to Michigan Conference, and Russell B. Pope to Rock River Conference.

QUESTION 20. *Where and when shall the next Conference be held?*

ANSWER.—At Washington Avenue, Church, Bay City, at a time to be fixed by the Bishops' annual meeting in the Summer of 1880.

QUESTION 21. *Have any Local Preachers been ordained?*

ANSWER.—*Deacons*—Matthew C. Hawks, from Tawas City, and Harvey Casler, from Fort Gratiot Quarterly Conference—2.

QUESTION 22. *Are any of our Literary and Theological institutions under the control and patronage of this Conference, and what is their condition?*

ANSWER.—Yes. See reports on "Education," and "Ministerial Education."

QUESTION 23. *Who are the Conference Board of Church Extension?*

ANSWER.—See list of Conference Societies.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

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[Names of Chairmen only are given here. For other names of Committeemen see the Journal.]

[A.]

### BOUNDARIES AND WORK IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN.

It needs no protracted study to be convinced that the northern portion of our State, especially of the Lower Peninsular, offers to the christian people of Michigan and particularly to our own denomination a question of the gravest moment. We believe that no subject will occupy the attention of your body at its present session so fraught with interests to Christ's kingdom in this State, at the same time so vitally related to the prosperity of our own cause as this. It is seldom in the history of civilization that so large a region of country is so suddenly rescued from the solitudes of primeval forests and opened to the pursuits of civilized life as is now being witnessed in the northern half of lower Michigan. It is scarcely more than a decade of years since that vast region lying north of a line west from the Saginaws, was, with the exception of a few towns on its eastern and western coasts, an almost unbroken wilderness. To-day tens of thousands of families are erecting their home and clearing their farms all through that extent of country from Lake Huron, nearly two hundred miles to Lake Michigan, from the Saginaws nearly two hundred miles to the Straits. This population has not moved on gradually league by league from any one point of the compass, to be followed or attended in its march by the teacher and the preacher, but it came up into all parts of the wilderness with a surprising simultaneousness. The offer of our government of a free home to every family who will settle upon their rich farming lands is drawing a numerous people thither. And the tide of immigration has but just commenced to this region. It is to be doubled and quadrupled in the few years before us. As a matter of course a large proportion of the families settling there are of moderate means. Indeed they are gen-

erally poor, but industrious. It is noticeable also that a very large proportion of them have gone there from the older portions of our own State, and thus social ties as well as Christian, are created between them and us. Perhaps we need not remind your body of the painful fact that hitherto we have failed almost utterly to meet the wants of this rapidly increasing population. There are already many large neighborhoods, even villages having hundreds of souls, in which there is no religious worship whatever. In several growing towns, some of which are county seats where our societies have been organized, owing to the great distance of their Presiding Elders from them, and the inexperience of their preachers, and in many cases the absence of any preacher at all they have disbanded, or have gone over to some other denomination who would furnish to them the needed missionary help. While we are gratified at the christian zeal manifested by any of our sister churches, and from our hearts bid them God speed, yet we must think that greater zeal on our part and a more vigorous working of our forces would enable us not only to hold the ground God has given us, but to take the ground he would have us occupy. Within the near future, probably within a twelve month great changes will be wrought in the northern part of our State by new Railroad enterprises. If, as now seems probable the Marquette and Mackinaw Road shall be built, and the Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw Road shall be extended to the Straits of Mackinaw to connect with it, no one, it seems to us, can fail to see the importance of our immediately marching up to the occupancy of that land. We believe the time has fully come for a more thoroughly organized movement in this direction. We believe our laymen and friends in this State are ready to co-operate. Strong financial and commercial bonds unite Northern and Southern Michigan. Many of our most liberal people are anxious for greater development of our Home Work. We wish to call attention particularly to one fact. At present the meridian line of our State divides the two Conferences. The two railroads running towards the Straits of Mackinaw and the Upper Peninsular will both lie in the territory of the Michigan Conference; hence to reach the northern part of our work we must pass through more than one hundred miles of their territory. A little change in the northern part of our dividing line, by carrying it a few miles to the west would give us one of these railroad lines. The territory through which this road passes can be reached by us much more easily than by them. Indeed the difficulty they have experienced in crossing the country from one road to the other will account largely for the decline of our cause along the line of the Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw railroad. In view therefore of the whole subject we recommend the adoption of the following :

*Resolved, 1.* That we hereby memorialize the next General Conference in favor of defining the boundaries of the Detroit Conference as

follows: The Detroit Conference shall include that part of the State of Michigan east of the principal meridian as far north as the southern side of Roscommon county, thence west to the southwest corner of said county, thence directly north to the Straits of Mackinaw. It shall also include the Upper Peninsular. 2. That we notify the Michigan Conference now in session in Ionia of this action and respectfully ask them to co-operate in the same. 3. Your committee further recommend that the portion of the Lower Peninsular embraced in the Detroit Conference and north of a line extending from the east to west at the base of the counties of Iosco and Ogemaw, be organized into a new District to be called the Alpena District, and that in case the Michigan Conference shall cede to us the territory on the Line of the Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw Railroad from the west line of Roscommon county to the Straits of Mackinaw, the said acquired territory shall be embraced in this district. 4. That the Presiding Elder of this new district be authorized to solicit aid in the Conference at large, demanded for the prosecution of the work in said district.

S. REED, *Chairman.*

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[B.]

### SANCTITY OF THE SABBATH.

The Fourth Commandment of the Decalogue, reads thus: Remember the Sabbath day to keep it Holy; Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God, in it thou shalt not do any work, Thou, nor thy son nor thy daughters, thy man servant nor thy maid servant, nor thy cattle, nor the stranger that is within thy gates, Ex. xx. 10-11.

In the preceding and following sections of the Law, Gods says to man, Thou shalt not; In the fourth, The word *remember* is used, As if the duty enjoined, was one; That mankind were prone to forget, Hence, The frequency of the spirit's call to sanctify the Sabbaths and reverence the Sanctuary. To-morrow is the rest of the Holy Sabbath, let no man go out of his place to gather manna. Thus saith the Lord, Take heed to yourselves, and bear no burden on the Sabbath day, nor bring it in by the gates of Jerusalem; Neither carry forth a burden out of your houses on the Sabbath day, neither do ye any work but hallow ye the Sabbath day as I commanded your fathers, Jer. xvii. 21-22. And they returned and prepared spices and ointments; and rested the Sabbath day according to the commandment. Luke xxiii. 56. Here the command as given in the Old Testament, is acknowledged and observed under the New Testament. Immediately after the crucifixion of Him who declared himself Lord of the Sabbath. The Sabbath was made for man as necessary to the health of his physical, intellectual, and moral nature. If thou turn away thy

foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day, and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honourable ; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words : Then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord, and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob, Isaiah lviii. 13-14.

Nehemiah rebuked the Jews, and men of Tyre for Sunday traffick, closed the gates of the city, and threatened to arrest all who lingered outside the walls for the purposes of trade, and compelled them to leave. Plainly teaching the people that much of the evil they had suffered, and wrath that had been visited upon them was due to Sabbath desecration. Suffice us now to call attention to the laws of the State of Michigan on the importance of the Christian Sabbath, as Lord's Day. See Chapter 55, Sec. 1, Compiled Laws, 1871. No person shall keep open his shop, warehouse, or work-house, or shall do any manner of labor, business, or work, except only works of necessity and charity, or be present at any dancing, or public diversion, show or entertainment, or take part in any sport, game, at any or play, on the first day of the week ; and every person so offending, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding ten dollars for each offence. This statute we believe, to be, in strict harmony with the word of God as it regards the Lord's day. A cheerful and willing obedience to the laws of the State is the test of good citizenship. No man can justly lay claim to such character, who knowingly and willfully tramples under foot the laws of the State. Much less can the man, or woman lay claim to the character of christians who knowingly, openly and wilfully transgresses the laws of God. Obedience to the law is the test of Discipleship. "If ye love me keep my commandments."

"If ye keep my commandments ye shall abide in my love, even as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love."

For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one *point*, he is guilty of all. For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill ; Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law. And he that said, Do not kill, said also, Remember the Sabbath day to keep it Holy. Now if thou commit no murder, yet if thou dost not keep the Sabbath Holy, thou art become a transgressor of the law. All Sabbath excursions, by boat or rail, loading and unloading vessels, repairing machinery in mills, working in warehouses, in shops, in the fields, being present in beer gardens, or at dancing parties, driving for pleasure or recreation, or doing ordinary work on the Lord's day are open violations of both the laws of God, and the State. And, when ministers of the Gospel, and professedly christian men and women, patronize Sabbath breaking excursions, and merchants, who are members of our churches leave their homes, and church work on the

Sabbath to go by boat or rail to the city to purchase goods, let us bow low, and in deep humiliation before God, cry out in the language of the Psalmist, "Help Lord for the godly man ceaseth, For the faithful fail from among the children of men." Your committee would therefore earnestly impress upon the members of our church to cease from all ordinary work, and travel for business or pleasure on the Lord's day, and spend the entire day in public, and private exercises of God's worship, except so much as may be taken up by works of necessity, or mercy.

WHEREAS, We believe the sin of Sabbath breaking, to be alarmingly on the increase, and that judgment must begin at the Sanctuary, Therefore

*Resolved*, 1st. That all Sabbath breaking, all traffick in cigars, tobacco, and common merchandise, at camp meetings; held on or over the Sabbath; and all excursions to and from camp on the Lord's day—are desecrations of the day, demoralizing in their influence. These call anew, for a Savior with his scourge to drive out the buyers and sellers, upset the tables of the money changers and the seats of the sellers of wares. That the Lord's House, whether in Temple or Grove, may be indeed, and in truth a place of prayer.

*Resolved*, That as a Conference, we will not give occasion, or open the way for Sabbath desecration by holding camp meetings over the Sabbath with open gates.

WM. DONNELLY, *Chairman*.

### [C.]

#### BIBLE CAUSE.

Believing the Bible to be a revelation of God to man, and of man to himself, we receive it as the all sufficient rule of life and faith. That it contains all that is necessary to make one wise unto salvation, no one who has studied its sacred pages, and experienced its precious truths, will doubt. We are not unmindful however that there are those, even in this favored land where it has done such mighty work, who would, were it possible, close it from the sight of the masses. Be it therefore

*Resolved*, that we extend to the American Bible Society, our warmest sympathies, and pledge it financial support so far as practicable.

C. T. ALLEN, *Ch'n*.

### [D.]

#### MISSION AUDITORS.

The Mission Auditing Committee have to report that, on careful examination, they find every dollar appropriated within the bounds of the Conference, for the year just closed, to be fully and properly vouched for.

T. J. JOSLIN, *Ch'n*.



## [E.]

## EDUCATION.

It is the inalienable right of every human being to obtain all the education that the resources of the age in which he lives and his own desires and capabilities make possible. It is at the same time the imperative duty of society to do everything in its power to quicken and gratify such desires and to stimulate and equip such capabilities in the highest degree of usefulness. These two principles lie at the basis of the whole subject of education.

The order and prosperity of both the State and the Church will be in proportion to the extent in which real, comprehensive and thorough education prevails. But education, to be *real* must *develope* and *discipline* the faculties of the mind as well as store it with knowledge. To be *comprehensive* it must secure this development and discipline, not alone for one or many of the human faculties, but for the whole of them; to be thorough, it is required that this development and discipline be *complete*, as regards the individual faculty, *harmonious* as regards all of them taken together, and practical as regards the great matters of life and destiny.

The State and the Church have, each its own part to act in bringing such an education within reach of the people. The State should provide literary, scientific and technical training for its people according to their capabilities and according to the demands of time and circumstances. To the Church belongs the duty of superadding to this secular training that moral and religious culture which man's spiritual nature demands.

It is matter for unfeigned rejoicing therefore, that with us both Church and State are endeavoring to measure up to their responsibilities in this respect. Our system of free education, ranging from the simplest elementary instruction to the most complete University training, is a noble monument of enlightened patriotism, and deserves, as it receives, the hearty support of a united people. Our denominational colleges are similar monuments of enlightened churchism and deserve our universal support. Among these Colleges is our own at Albion.

The report of its Trustees for the year just closed records encouraging progress in nearly all departments of the institution. We hope this will go on from year to year until such a degree of efficiency and excellency is attained as will rank Albion with the best and most useful colleges in the land.

We make the following recommendations:

1.—The employment by the Board of Trustees of a suitably qualified lady professor, as essential to the completeness of the faculty of an institution where young ladies form so large a proportion of the whole number of students.

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2.—The enforcement by the faculty of discreet and firm discipline over all students so as to make the college in this respect an institution in which our best people will delight to place their sons and daughters.

3.—The modification of curriculum so as to give greater prominence to technical studies and thus make the culture obtained thoroughly available in the *practical affairs of life*.

4.—The re-election of David Preston and Otis A. Critchett as Trustees for the next term, also of Thomas Stather, A. B. Wood and F. Bradley as visitors for the ensuing year.

The financial exhibit for the past year is as follows :

## INCOME.

College receipts.....	\$4,580 27
Interest of Endowment Fund.....	10,779 40
Interest from Local Board.....	1,858 33
Detroit Conference Centenary Notes.....	133 35
Profits on sale of the Law House.....	60 00
Contributions for Library.....	280 35
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	\$17,691 70

## EXPENSES.

Teaching.....	\$9,842 50
Agent's Salary.....	750 00
Services of Janitor.....	385 92
Library.....	658 20
Museum.....	200 00
Interest.....	1,566 43
Printing Catalogues, etc.....	208 50
Laboratory.....	141 82
Insurance.....	95 00
Wood, Oil, etc.....	219 90
Reading Room . . . . .	126 15
Repairs and Improvements.....	360 54
Piano.....	325 00
Current Expenses.....	501 10
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	\$15,281 06

## ASSETS.

Bonds, Mortgages, Notes—J. Owen.....	\$140,000 00
Local Board of Control—J. W. Sheldon.....	25,000 00
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	\$165,000 00

REAL ESTATE.

College Property—Buildings, Apparatus, Furniture, etc.....	\$50,00 00
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LIABILITIES.

Funded Debt.....	\$12,000 00
Bills Payable.....	3,300 00

	<u>\$15,300 00</u>
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There are in the hands of the Treasurer, Centenary Notes to the amount of \$19,000 00. It is not probable that more than \$2,000 00 can be realized from this paper.

D. C. JACOKES, *Ch'n.*

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee is happy to report an increasing interest on the part of the church in Sabbath school and bible study. The Sunday school is becoming more and more, a great power for good in the church and among the people. Through the agency of the S. S. a deeper interest has been awakened in Bible study, both among the old and young. The S. S. is better officered than ever before. Better teachers are engaged in explaining Bible truths. Better literature is now furnished to our scholars. Its papers, its songs, its music, its books are of a higher and more elevating character than heretofore. The S. S. is, in short, the great battle ground of the Church to-day. In Sunday Schools of the Methodist Episcopal Church alone nearly 100,000 conversions occur every year—grand, immortal trophies of grace for the Great Teacher above. Your committee, therefore, earnestly recommend that all our preachers in charge of circuits so arrange their various appointments, as to be present, if possible, at all the sessions of all the Sunday Schools within the bounds of their circuits. That great care be exercised in the selection and appointment of teachers; that the school be held at such an hour as shall accommodate the greatest number of persons; that the disciplinary provision providing for the establishing and maintaining of Sunday Schools be faithfully carried out; that as preachers in charge we most earnestly urge, and insist that the children of our Sunday Schools attend the public ministry of the Word, enlisting parents and teachers to aid in securing this most desirable end; that in all cases preference be given to the helps and periodicals published by our own Church, to the exclusion of outside publications; that more attention be given to Normal and Institute; that more of our teachers be urged to avail themselves of the excel-

lent advantages of S. S. Congresses and Assemblies held for the purpose of aiding Bible teachers and students and Christian workers; that we as pastors give more attention to the circulation of tracts and thus more effectually utilize this instrumentality provided by our Church authority. We also recommend the forming of Saturday afternoon classes of children and youth in which the pastor shall teach the essential doctrines of the Bible and Methodism, and the great facts in and concerning the Scriptures.

J. B. ATCHINSON, *Ch'n.*

[II.]

**CHURCH EXTENSION.**

The Church Extension Society, organized by the General Conference of the M. E. Church, aims to meet a most important demand in the Church, namely to help feeble societies where the people are unable to build for themselves cheap and commodious churches. This is done sometimes by donations and sometimes by loans. We are deeply convinced that the felt want for help is not only in the South but also in the North and in our own Conference; there are many places calling for help, and if all our people could see the importance of liberal sowing in this field, the church would soon reap a great and glorious harvest. Therefore

*Resolved,* That the Church Extension Society is entitled to and shall receive our most cordial and earnest co-operation.

WM. FOX, *Chairman.*

[I.]

**TEMPERANCE.**

Your Committee on Temperance do offer the following resolutions as their report.

*Resolved,* 1st. That we heartily endorse the temperance resolutions of the General Conference of 1876, as found in Discipline page 375, edition of 1876, and will read them once a year in all our congregations.

*Resolved,* 2d. That we heartily endorse the action of the State Convention of the ribbon clubs of Michigan, looking to the submission to a vote of the people, of an amendment to the State Constitution, forever prohibiting the manufacture and sale of Alcoholic liquors, except for medicinal and art uses and that we will use our influences in favor of the same.

*Resolved,* 3d. That we believe the manufacture and sale of intoxicants to be used as a beverage, to be a crime, as great as theft, or forgery, and that the offender should be punished the same as the theft or forger.

*Resolved,* 4th. That we endorse the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and all God-fearing Temperance Societies, Literature and Lectures, as helpers in the war against King Alcohol.

On tobacco, your committee offer the following: That we earnestly recommend all members of this Conference who use *tobacco* to cease from its use:

That we heartily endorse the resolutions adopted by the last General Conference, advising all our ministers and members to abstain from the use of tobacco as injurious to both soul and body, and recommending to the annual Conferences to require candidates for admission to be free from the habit as hurtful to their acceptability and usefulness among our people.

JESSE KILPATRICK, *Chairman.*

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[J.]

MEMOIRS.

William Mahon was born in Ireland (date unknown), converted in early life, and licensed to preach among the Wesleyans of that country. Came to America about 1845, and united with the Michigan Conference in 1850. Was subsequently stationed at Marshall, Lansing, Detroit, Flint, Pontiac, Romeo and Utica; and was granted a superannuated relation in 1870. Depressing infirmities greatly obscured the latter years of his life; but God released the imprisoned spirit and no doubt honored his servant with a heavenly mansion, on the 24th day of May last. As a man he possessed many endearing qualities, and was a preacher of good accomplishments. He was twice married, and leaves a widow, son and daughter, to claim our sympathies, and to receive, we trust, the protections of a merciful providence.

Robert Triggs, died at Ripon, Wis., Jan. 8th, 1879. He was born in England, Aug. 9th, 1792; converted and joined the Wesleyan Church, in 1814, and was soon after licensed to preach. Came to the United States in 1832, and joined the Ohio Conference in 1834; was ordained deacon by Bishop Soule, in 1836, and ordained Elder by Bishop Waugh, in 1838. He fell into the Michigan Conference by division of territory, and subsequently into this Conference in the same way. He continued in active service until 1846 when he was placed upon the superannuated list. Father Triggs was "a good man, full of faith and the Holy Ghost." Almost his last words were, "I am calmly trusting in Jesus."

Mrs. Elizabeth Spence Fiske, was born in Scotland, July 19th, 1827: Her father, Dr. A. Spence, came to America and settled in Michigan, in 1833. She was converted and united with the Presbyterian Church when only eleven years of age. In 1852, she was united in marriage with Rev. L. R. Fiske, D.D. Soon after her marriage she united with the M. E. Church, of which she remained a most devoted, consistent and active member to the end of life. Her death occurred at Albion, February 25th, 1879. Many, upon the pastoral charges occupied by her husband, can

testify to her ardent devotion and fidelity to the Redeemer's cause. Her life was adorned with the ornament of a "meek and quiet spirit."

Mrs. Kate Stalker, was born of methodist parents, in Yorkshire, England, April 17th, 1831. She gave evidence of intelligent piety in very early childhood, and united with the Wesleyan Church at the age of fourteen years. April 16th, 1855, she was united in marriage with Rev. Thomas Stalker whom she greatly aided in the work of the divine Master until called to her reward in heaven. In all her relations of wife, mother, church member, and friend, the christian virtues shone in harmony and beauty to adorn a devout and faithful life. She died at Pontiac, April 22th, 1879, in joyful hope of eternal life.

"These all died in the faith!"

JOHN RUSSELL, *Chairman.*

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### CONFERENCE TREASURER.

Cash received from Detroit District.....	\$2,184 15	
Cash received from Adrain District.....	2,121 03	
Cash received from Flint District.....	2,164 49	
Cash received from Saginaw District.....	1,253 04	
Cash received from Port Huron District.....	1,166 06	
Cash received from Lake Superior District.....	809 60	
Cash received from Chartered Fund.....	30 00	
Cash received from Sabbath Collections.....	106 89	
Cash returned from Mrs. Greensky.....	26 10	
Cash received from sources not known.....	98 77	
Total cash from all sources .....		9,960 13
Total vouchers from all sources.....		1,375 72
Total.....		\$11,335 85
Cash received for Missions.....	\$6,498 31	
Vouchers received for Missions.....	523 40	
Total received for Missions.....		7,021 71
Cash received for Church Extension.....	462 15	
Vouchers received for Church Extension.....	282 00	
Total.....		744 15
Cash received for Freedman's Aid.....	474 26	
Vouchers received for Freedman's Aid.....	85 60	
Total.....		559 86
Cash received for S. S. Union.....	109 09	
Vouchers received S. S. Union.....	36 00	
Total.....		145 09

Cash received for Bishop's Fund.....	610 72	
Vouchers received for Bishop's Fund.....	62 00	
Total.....		672 72
Cash received for Education.....	156 08	
Vouchers received for Education.....	20 50	
Total.....		176 58
Cash received for Bible Society.....	84 96	
Vouchers received for Bible Society.....	78 37	
Total.....		163 33
Cash received for Tract Society.....	83 38	
Vouchers received for Tract Society.....	48 00	
Total.....		131 38
Cash received for W. Foreign Miss.....	26 69	
Vouchers received for W. Foreign Miss.....	239 85	
Total.....		266 54
Cash received for Conference Claimants.....	1,331 89	1,331 89
Cash received for Garrett B. Inst.....	8 50	8 50
Cash received for Salt Lake City.....	10 00	10 00
Cash received for Children's Day.....	3 70	3 70
Total.....		\$11,313 15
Balance in hands of Treasurer.....		\$22 70

Respectfully Submitted,  
DAVID CASLER, *Treasurer.*

[L.]

### FREEDMEN'S CAUSE.

The emancipation of more than 3,000,000 of slaves during the war of the rebellion, threw upon the nation and the Church a most fearful responsibility. Long ages of heathenism in their native Africa, and centuries of abject slavery in this country, had thoroughly degraded and debased the slave race, until there was left to the Freedmen, wrenched from debased and corrupt masters, scarcely the bases of intelligence and moral principle on which to rear the super-structure of a virtuous manhood. The government did a noble work through the Freedmen's Bureau for a time. But that work was almost wholly secular, leaving that which his most essential, in a preparation for true citizenship, the moral and religious culture of the Freedmen, to the Church. And as the moral sense of the Church at the South had been blunted by the practice and

defense of slavery, until it was thoroughly disqualified for such a noble and God-like work, the responsibility of caring for these poor down trodden people has devolved almost entirely upon the Church at the North. The Methodist Episcopal Church has not been recreant to this great interest of humanity, but was early in the field with her forces organized for effective work. The Secretary of the Freedmen's Aid Society, has his eye on the field as it opens and enlarges, and is cultivating it to the fullest extent of the means placed at his disposal by the benevolence of the Church. The whole South is now open to the operations of this Society as it has never been before, and all that is needed is more money, with which to establish and maintain schools, to give us the whole land. Though the collections of the Church are numerous it is hoped that the cause of the Freedmen will receive its proper choice of attention both from the pastor and the people of all our charges.

O. WHITMORE, *Chairman.*

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[M.]

### THE PORT HURON CHURCH.

The Committee appointed to consider and report on the state of the Port Huron Church would respectfully represent: They find that Methodism commenced its work in Port Huron in 1830. The first church was completed in 1844. Prosperity demanded increased accommodations and the second church was completed in 1856. After this the city rapidly increased in population and the society grew in numbers and wealth. In 1871 the members felt it their duty to lay the foundations of Methodism in Port Huron deep and broad. A new Church was commenced and at a cost of \$5,800.00 for parsonage and lots, and \$32,000.00 for building, it was finished except its audience room, in 1875. The great financial crash found the Society \$14,000 in debt and all the chief men found the financial strength swept away, and the death of one of the leading members still further crippled the Society. Heroic efforts were made to pay interest and carry the burden. It was too much and the Church was sold.

At this time Bro. Robert Blair, of Cambridge, N. Y., learning of the disaster to the Church, felt he could not rest, and taking \$1,000.00 of his own money and borrowing \$9,000.00 he came to Port Huron to help redeem the property. A plan was then adopted to raise \$8,000.00 of the \$15,000.00 then due and reduce the debt to \$7,000. Bro. I. N. Elwood, P. E. and Bro. Wm. Fox, preacher in charge undertook the execution of the plan. At the Conference last year, the money had been partly pledged, and the property had been redeemed. Bro. Fox has been employed to act as agent of the Church the past year. Bro. Elwood acted in concert with him, and on the 11th of July the subscriptions had reached the sum of \$8,000. The debt had thus been virtually reduced to about \$6,000. On July 11th at ¼ past 11 o'clock, A. M., a tornado from the north and west struck the church, and in a moment it was in ruins. A subscription was made in Port Huron, July 20th, amounting to \$1,447, and this has been increased to 2,200. Bros. Elwood and Fox have secured subscriptions outside Port Huron for \$800. Material has been secured by donation of about \$1,000. About \$100 has been sent us for the Re-building Fund.



The financial state of the church to-day is as follows :

Mortgage.....	\$8,000
Donation by R. Blair.....	1,000
Subscriptions on Debt.....	2,000 3,000
Total.....	\$5,000

RE-BUILDING FUND.

Cost of estimating ; to put up walls and on roof of shingles, finish the audience room, plain.....	\$8,000
To finish Vestry.....	600
Gas fixtures and pipes.....	350
Heating Apparatus.....	400
Seats in Vestry.....	300
Pulpit.....	50
To change to State.....	300
Total.....	\$10,000

ASSETS.

Subscription in Port Huron.....	\$2,200
Subscription Outside.....	800
Subscription Material.....	1,000
Donations in Cash (about).....	100 4,100
Total.....	\$5,900

ACTION OF THE LAY ELECTORAL CONFERENCE.

On motion of T. C. Owen, the committee in the Port Huron church matter, consisting of Messrs. S. Howard, A. Williams and Orison Green were instructed to request the Annual Conference to have the ministers take up collections for the church on or before November 2d, next.

[N.]

PERIODICALS.

It is the opinion of this Conference that the action of the Book Committee, placing the Advocates in an attitude of fraternity and equality, was just and proper. This action has remedied the evils which did at one time exist, and placed the papers in their proper relations to each other. The question of the propriety of publishing local and independent papers seems to have been settled by the logic of facts and experience, at least in this State. We have our Conference papers, our district periodicals, and some printed organs of individual churches. We are thus endeavoring to utilize the press as a means of influence. However great has been the power of the press in the past, it has not yet reached its maximum, nor is it yet used in all possible avenues. Each grade of periodical has its constituency, its competitors, and each local paper its territorial patrons. Our large official organs must compete in size and price, in literary excellence and business enterprise, with others of their grade. That they may do this successfully they must have a large number of subscribers, must cir-

culate over an extended field, and must have a paying subscription price. Other religious papers, smaller and cheaper, published by men not in sympathy with our church, some of them exerting no little influence in producing disaffection toward it, are offered to the people, and taken by many who could not be induced to take our more expensive connectional papers. To meet these we must have periodicals of our own as cheap as they. Then by the circulation of these cheap periodicals, many more persons are influenced through the press than would be without them. We may say that we do not wish them to interfere at all with the circulation of our own larger weeklies; but they do, to some extent, nevertheless; some take these that might be induced to take them if these were not in the field. But, however desirable it may be that our official periodicals have a large circulation and a liberal support, they are but means to an end. The purpose is the dissemination of religious truth; and this purpose is more extensively secured by the help of these local papers. Still there is need of caution in the application of this argument. We may by certain means secure greater immediate good, and yet do harm by obstructing the work or weakening the power of agencies which reach over a larger field, and which are to work on through the ages. The world is to be redeemed through the instrumentality of the church. Any individual interprise which weakens the power of the church, or of any of its means, must, unless it more than compensates the loss, result in injury to the cause of Christ. We hold, then, that fidelity to the church, an exaltation of its authorized and adopted agencies, a strict observance of its rules, and a careful maintenance of its principles and modes, are necessary to the greatest ultimate good. But as long as these independent papers are loyal, and devoted to the interests of the churches, the good resulting from the publication of those already in the field seems to outweigh the loss sustained by other periodicals, and their publication is justified. We have no criticisms or suggestions to offer in reference to the character and management of our periodicals. We have been pleased to see in them a disposition to maintain, rather than mend, doctrinal and ecclesiastical methodism, while admitting a free discussion of all proposed improvements. The *Northwestern* holds its own with unabated vigor and undiminished estimate among its patrons. The vote with which we have just elected him as one of our delegates to the General Conference is an endorsement of its editor. We approve of its vigorous defense of civil and religious liberty, and its fearless exposure of injustice and crime. Let the deeds of darkness be exposed. Pour upon the foul places the light of Christian civilization till men shall learn what liberty, justice, and righteousness means. We equally commend the *Christian Advocate* for this. The *Michigan Advocate* has secured a place in the hearts of the people. It is ably edited, well patronized, and it is doing good. We hope all our

ministers will take the *Methodist Quarterly Review*. To our young preachers permit us to say, if you have not now a taste for the kind of reading it contains, the mind needs cultivation in that very direction. The popular demand is for light and superficial thought, but he who yields entirely to that demand consents to a deterioration of the race. We have not been largely successful in obtaining subscribers for the *National Repository*. It appears from the reports of the Book Committee that its circulation has diminished, instead of increased, since 1877, especially in the East; in 1877 there were 9,500, and in 1878 only 3,358 copies taken in the East. The loss in the West was much less, and here 12,000 copies are still taken. We do not think that the loss can be attributed mainly to the absence of effort on the part of the ministers. Many were induced to take it at first who could not be persuaded to continue it. The facts may as well be plainly stated. While it is filled with matter that is useful and interesting, comparing favorable in this respect with other Magazines of the day, there does not appear to be a large demand for it. It would seem that there is ample field for the *Golden Hours*; and yet this, so far has not been a financial success. Perhaps we have not sufficiently urged upon parents the importance of supplying their children with wholesome reading, and creating in them a taste which is to be thus gratified. Parents, before their children can read, should read to them, till there is formed in them an anxiety to know the contents of the little book. There are few more effective safeguards that can be formed around the feet of youth than a passion for useful and wholesome reading. Perhaps we have not done all we should to introduce among our people the books published by our book concerns. We may benefit the people, as well as the publishing interests of the Church, by giving more attention to duty. If we do not wish to keep the books for sale, as was formerly done, we can tell the people of certain ones, commend them, and offer to get them for them. We think the plan adopted by the publishers of offering the *Northwestern* at one price with premium, and at another price without premium, is wise; and at two dollars and twenty cents without premium many more ought to be induced to take it. Our Sunday School periodicals are all that we could desire and expect. As the *Sunday School Advocate* is now issued semi-monthly at the same price of others that are issued only monthly, it may hope to regain the position it once occupied as the most widely circulated paper of its kind in the world. In addition to this we heartily recommend the *Sunday Guest*, a Sunday School paper published by Arnold & Will-young, and edited by Bro. J. B. Atchinson. It is well worthy of the patronage of our people.

B. S. TAYLOR, *Chairman*.

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## PARSONAGES.

As near as your committee can ascertain, there are about *one-third* of the pastoral charges in this Conference which have no "certain abiding-place" for their minister and his family. If, after the Conference time is past, and after a deal of trouble and delay, the minister succeeds in finding a comfortable domicile in which to gather his scattered loved ones, well; if not, and the chances are against him, he is compelled to take up with some building which has been passed by as unsuitable for the residence of any other family, where, it may be, parlor, sitting room, dining-room, and study, and, possibly, kitchen and sleeping apartments, as well, and all condensed into *one* small room. As a consequence, very likely, the minister gets the reputation of being unstudious, and his wife of being a poor house-keeper, and both, of being uncourteous and inhospitable. They have all the necessary qualifications for successful work in our ministry, if only they could have a fair chance; but what wonder, if, under these unfavorable and embarrassing circumstances, they utterly fail to accomplish the good that they might otherwise accomplish. The financial loss to our minister, in thus being compelled to pay heavy rentals for their house, is very great, and, as we believe, *largely unnecessary*; but, immeasurably greater, and, much more to be regretted, is the loss of power and efficiency in the work of the Christian ministry, which inevitably results from being compelled, as is often the case, to live in a house every way unsuitable for the abode of a minister and his family. Therefore

*Resolved*, 1st. That every preacher who finds himself in charge of a Circuit or Station where there is no Parsonage, should at once take steps toward the purchase or building of a comfortable house to be used as a Parsonage. 2d. That every Presiding Elder should give this subject special attention in the Quarterly Conferences and elsewhere, and thus bring his influence to bear to induce our people everywhere, to provide comfortable, and furnished homes for our preachers.

JAMES E. WITHEY, *Committee*.

## [P.]

## MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

That the times demand an Educated Ministry has passed beyond the point of controversy, and the only question that can arise is as to the value of professional schools in which to obtain the requisite qualifications for the ministerial life work. If a young man has but three or four years that he can devote to study, we believe the primary or college course is the best for him. This we think no one can doubt who has any knowledge of the

laws of mind or the value of first principles, but for those who have time and means to go beyond the college course or for the few who may possibly be called to the Ministry, in middle life and have not time to acquire a knowledge of first principles and with whom mental discipline is not a prime factor, these theological schools are of great value and should be commended to all our young men. We believe the time has fully come, when no Presiding Elder should present the recommendation of any man to this Conference who has not received a good education. We have schools, colleges and institutes in an abundance so that every one who thinks that he is called of God to preach the Gospel, should be urged to avail himself of the advantages which these schools afford. And as biblical schools are established specifically for the Ministry, and the Church reaps all the benefits of such education, she ought to give them her hearty support and provide them with ample endowments. The Garrett Biblical Institute at Evanston, as we all know was munificently endowed by its founders. But that endowment has been largely swept away by the devouring flames, and now she appeals to the Church for success and aid and most assuredly the Church ought to respond cheerfully and generously. Something has been done during the past year but the work is not complete and the Institute must still appeal to the Church for financial support. The Institute as far as we are able to learn, is in a flourishing condition, aside from her financial embarrassments. We have been especially happy to learn that the Rev. W. X. Ninde, D.D. an honored member of this Conference has been elected to the Presidency of the Institution, and we can but congratulate the trustees in securing a man so well qualified to fill the responsible position, and we trust and hope the school will enjoy increasing prosperity and usefulness under his judicious management, and we pledge ourselves anew to its support and bid it God Speed.

*Resolved, 1.* That we will take collections during the Conference year in all our charges for the support of Garrett Biblical Institute so far as practicable.

*Resolved, 2.* That a committee of three, consisting of W. X. Ninde, W. W. Washburn, R. S. Pardington, be appointed a committee to take into consideration the feasibility of holding a Pastors' Institute during the session of our next annual Conference. We also nominate as visitors to Garrett Biblical Institute, L. P. Davis, A. F. Bourns.

A. J. BIGELOW, *Ch'n. Com.*

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VISITORS TO ALBION COLLEGE.

The different members visited the College during the closing examinations occurring in June last, and are pleased to testify to the evidences of faithful, efficient work on the part, both of instructors and students. On the part

of the Faculty, there was evidence of scholarly thoroughness, and the students evinced ability, application and proficiency, equal to the average classes of collegiate institutions. The exercises of Commencement Day were worthy of special mention; the part taken by each graduate being performed with that dignity and ease which are the result of thoughtful preparation. The Faculty, without exception, seem to be doing faithful work, and are possessed of that enthusiasm which is essential to the highest success. The members who have been added during the past year have entered earnestly into their labors. It is a matter of regret that some of the professors have been overtaxed with the number of different recitations which the lack of instructors has imposed upon them. Provision has been made to relieve, in part this difficulty for the coming year. Much regret was expressed by the friends of the College on the resignation of Prof. Lewis F. Stearns of the Chair of History and Belles-lettres; but while we believe the school has thus lost a most valuable member from its faculty, we congratulate the institution on the appointment, to fill said vacancy of Mr. F. M. Taylor, son of Rev. B. S. Taylor, of this Conference, and a graduate of the Northwestern University. Prof. Taylor's record as a student is of a high order, and we feel assured that his appointment to this important position will prove an act of wisdom on the part of the appointing power. The facilities for instruction in the natural sciences which heretofore were meager and insufficient have been greatly augmented by collections made the past summer in South America by Prof. Fall. Decided progress has been made in the Dep't of Art the past year. The increase in interest and numbers has been of financial aid to the College. This department promises to become a leading element in popularizing the institution. The library has been very materially enlarged and improved through the persistent efforts of Pres. Fiske. The literary societies have maintained a healthful growth and continue a very inviting feature of the College. Religious culture as heretofore has been a prominent factor in the aim and effort of the Faculty. A successful revival effort in connection with the M. E. Church the past winter, led many of the students to a knowledge and profession of Christ. This feature not only commends the College to parents, as a safe place for their sons and daughters, but likewise assures better and larger intellectual attainments. Altogether Albion College with her enterprising and efficient new president has had a prosperous year, and promises still better things. There has been an increase in the number of students in each of the departments. The courses of the study in the curriculum have been greatly improved by the new administration. If the Church does its duty, we believe the success of the College is assured; but if in the future Methodists, and especially Methodist Ministers shall continue to patronize other schools rather than our own, Albion College, will come short of deserved prosperity. Suffer the committee in conclusion to commend most heartily this College of the Church in Michigan, to the confidence support, and patronage of all its members and friends.

L. P. DAVIS, *Ch'n.*

## OUR TWENTY-FOUR SESSIONS.

NOTE.—The Detroit Conference was set off from the Michigan Conference by the General Conference of 1856.

No.	DATE.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1	September 17, 1856...	Adrian .....	Morris.....	S. Reed.
2	September 2, 1857...	Port Huron.....	Waugh .....	S. Reed.
3	September 8, 1858...	Ypsilanti .....	Baker.....	S. Reed.
4	September 28, 1859...	Pontiac .....	Janes.....	S. Reed.
5	September 26, 1860...	Dexter.....	Morris.....	S. Clements.
6	September 25, 1861...	Detroit .....	Ames .....	S. Clements.
7	September 24, 1862...	Ann Arbor.....	Scott .....	S. Clements.
8	September 16, 1863...	Romeo.....	Simpson .....	S. Clements.
9	September 14, 1864...	Adrian.. ..	Baker.....	W. H. Perrine.
10	September 13, 1865...	Flint.....	Clark.....	W. H. Perrine.
11	September 5, 1866...	Hudson.....	Ames.....	E. H. Pilcher.
12	September 4, 1867...	Saginaw City...	Janes.....	E. H. Pilcher.
13	August 26, 1868...	Ann Arbor.....	Ames.....	C. C. Yemans.
14	September 1, 1869...	Detroit.....	Scott.....	A. Edwards.
15	August 24, 1870...	Fenton.....	Clark .....	A. Edwards.
16	September 13, 1871...	Monroe.....	Simpson.....	A. Edwards.
17	September 4, 1872...	East Saginaw.....	Ames.....	A. Edwards.
18	September 3, 1873...	Ypsilanti.....	Wiley.....	A. Edwards.
19	September 2, 1874...	Romeo.....	Simpson .....	A. Edwards.
20	September 1, 1875...	Flint .....	Harris.....	A. Edwards.
21	August 30, 1876...	Detroit.....	Ames.....	A. Edwards.
22	September 5, 1877...	Adrian.....	Foster .....	A. Edwards.
23	September 11, 1878...	Ann Arbor.....	Merrill.....	A. Edwards.
24	September 10, 1879...	Ann Arbor.....	Bowman.....	A. Edwards.

## CHURCH HEADQUARTERS.

Book, Mission, S. S. and Tract Rooms, 805 Broadway, New York City.  
 Book, Mission, S. S. and Tract Rooms, No. 57 Washington St., Chicago.  
 Book, Mission, S. S. and Tract Rooms, 190 West Fourth St., Cincinnati.  
 Book, Mission, S. S. and Tract Rooms, 913 North Sixth St., St. Louis, Mo.  
 Book, Mission, S. S. and Tract Rooms, 110 Whitehall St., Atlanta, Ga.  
 Book, Mission, S. S. and Tract Rooms, 189 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.  
 Church Extension Headquarters, 1020 Arch Street, Philadelphia.  
 Freedmen's Aid Headquarters, 190 West Fourth St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

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Bishop LEVI SCOTT.....Odessa, Del.  
 " MATTHEW SIMPSON.....Philadelphia, Pa.  
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 " WILMIAM L. HARRIS.....New York.  
 " RANDOLPH S. FOSTER.....Cincinnati, Ohio.  
 " ISAAC W. WILEY.....Boston, Mass.  
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 " GILBERT HAVEN.....Atlanta, Georgia.  
 " JESSE T. PECK.....Syracuse, N. Y.

## Our Promoted Fellow Workers.

### DETROIT CONFERENCE MEMBERS DECEASED.

NAME.	Age	DIED.		ADMITTED.	
		Place.	Date.	Conference.	Year.
James V. Watson.....	42	Chicago.....	Oct. 17, 1856	Missouri.....	1832
Wellington H. Collins....	42	Detroit.....	Aug. 11, 1858	Michigan ...	1837
Robert Dubois.....	39	Ann Arbor.....	Feb. 28, 1850	Michigan...	1844
William Mothersill.....	48	Holly.....	Nov. 8, 1852	Michigan....	1840
Jonathan Blanchard ....	47	Ann Arbor.....	Mar. 22, 1864	Michigan....	1838
Francis L. West.....	25	Chattanooga....	Jan. 5, 1865	Detroit.....	1861
Giles N. Belknap.....	55	Napoleon.....	Apr. 13, 1866	Michigan....	1848
Aaron Watkins.....	29	Albany, N. Y. ...	Mar. 19, 1867	Detroit.....	1863
Joseph Shank.....	49	Fentonville....	Sept. 30, 1867	Oneida .....	1841
Isaac C. Cochrane.....	46	Utica.....	Oct. 25, 1867	Detroit.....	1861
William H. Hevener.....	61	Owosso.....	Oct. .... 1867	Michigan....	1854
John A. Baughman ..	65	Detroit.....	Mar. 1, 1868	Ohio.....	1823
George Smith.....	59	Ann Arbor.....	May 4, 1868	Ohio.....	1833
William Todd .....	78	Erie, Pa.....	May 15, 1869	New York..	1823
James F. Dorey.....	32	Manchester....	Aug. 2, 1869	Detroit.....	1862
Ransom R. Richards.....	60	Hudson.....	July 13, 1872	Michigan...	1837
Solomon S. Littlefield....	43	Detroit.....	Dec. 3, 1872	Michigan...	1854
Elisha Bibbins.....	53	Detroit.....	Nov. 22, 1875	Wesleyan...	1841
Addison C. Shaw.....	62	Ypsilanti... ..	Dec. 21, 1875	Michigan...	1846
James R. Cordon.....	41	Clarkston.....	Apr. 18, 1876	Detroit.....	1850
Samuel Bibbins.....	81	New Boston... ..	May 19, 1877	Wesleyan ..	.....
Abel W. Harding.....	39	Tecumseh.....	July 1, 1877	Detroit.....	1869
Isaac Greensky.....	50	.....	Oct. .... 1876	Detroit.....	1874
William P. Maywood.....	36	Denver, Col....	Nov. 17, 1877	Wesleyan...	1864
Peter L. Sparrow.....	44	.....	..... 1877	.....	.....
Robert Triggs.....	87	Ripon, Wis.....	Jan. 8, 1879	Ohio.....	1834
William Mahon.....	...	East Saginaw..	May 24, 1879	Michigan....	1850



# REGISTER.

## DETROIT CONFERENCE.

(As modified at adjournment, September 16, 1879.)

NOTE.—At great pains and labor, the Secretary has repeatedly re-written this Register to make it accurate and strictly alphabetical.

Will all members help to fill *all blanks* and correct all errors? If any names are mis-spelled send me a note.

"Div.," in the Seventh column, indicates the fact that such members fell into the Detroit Conference by the division of 1856.

All who joined the Detroit Conference in full connection had at least two years of prior service as preachers on probation. Those who joined other Conferences may have done very many years of service before coming here.

The sixth column shows time of admission to full membership, *not of reception on trial*. Give your name in full.

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ARTHUR EDWARDS, *Secretary*,

57 Washington St., Chicago.

Number.	NAME.	BORN.		ADMITTED TO FULL CONNECTION		Came to Detroit Conference.	POST OFFICE.
		Where.	When	Church or Confer'nce.	When		
1	Allen, Albrecht.....	Penn.....	1819	Mich.....	1845	Div	Williamston.
2	Allen, Charles T.....	Mich.....	1841	Detroit.....	1870	.....	Detroit.
3	Allington, William.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	Allman Wm. H.....	.....	.....	Detroit.....	1879	.....	Alpena.
5	Anderson, Charles Miller..	N. Y.....	1820	Troy.....	1854	1855	Lakeville.
6	Arnold, John Motte.....	N. Y.....	1824	Mich.....	1851	Div	Detroit.
7	Atchinson, Jona. Burch..	N. Y.....	1840	Genesee.....	1872	1873	East Tawas.
8	Atkinson, John.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1878	Bay City.
9	Austin, Charles W.....	N. Y.....	1838	Detroit.....	1866	.....	Southfield.
10	Balls, James.....	England..	1828	Detroit.....	1868	.....	Woodhull.
11	Bancroft, Jno. Orlando....	Ohio.....	1826	Mich.....	1855	Div	Midland.
12	Barnes, Leemon.....	Canada.....	.....	Detroit.....	1868	.....	Orion.
13	Barry, Edward.....	Canada.....	1842	Detroit.....	1870	.....	.....
14	Bartlett, Alanson Roots...	N. Y.....	1827	Mich.....	1853	.....	Farmington.
15	Baskerville, Thomas H.....	N. Y.....	1845	Detroit.....	1873	.....	Wayne.
16	Bayliss, Jerh. H.....	England..	1835	Genesee.....	1859	1879	Detroit.
17	Bell, Andrew.....	.....	.....	Mich.....	.....	Div	Ann Arbor.
18	Benson, William.....	N. Y.....	1820	Mich.....	1849	.....	Adrian.
19	Benton, Wm. Hart.....	Louisiana.	1836	Detroit.....	1863	.....	Davisburg.
20	Berry, Joseph Flint.....	Canada.....	1856	Detroit.....	1876	.....	Mt. Clemens.
21	Bessey, Samuel.....	Vermont...	1815	Mich.....	1846	Div	Grand Rapids.
22	Bigelow, Andrew Jackson	N. Y.....	1832	Detroit.....	1857	.....	Tecumseh.
23	Bigelow, Wm. Enos.....	N. Y.....	1820	Mich.....	1843	Div	Holly.
24	Bird, Robert.....	England...	1821	Mich.....	1848	Div	White Rock.
25	Bird, Samuel.....	Ireland.....	1820	Detroit.....	1861	.....	Almont.
26	Birdsall, William.....	N. Y.....	1816	Detroit.....	1857	.....	Otisville
27	Blades, Francis Asbury...	Maryland.	1821	Mich.....	1846	Div	Detroit.
28	Blood, Alva G.....	Michigan..	1842	Detroit.....	1877	.....	Goodrich.

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29	Bourne, Alfred Francis.....	Michigan	1836	Detroit.....	1863	.....	Flint.
30	Bradley, Franklin.....	Illinois.....	.....	Detroit.....	1874	.....	Henrietta.
31	Brockway, Edwin H.....	N. Y.....	1825	Detroit.....	1856	.....	.....
32	Brown, Henry Newton.....	England.....	1821	Mich.....	1848	Div	Royal Oak.
33	Brown, Samuel Joshua.....	N. Y.....	1829	Detroit.....	1868	.....	.....
34	Burnett, Wm. Q.....	England.....	1824	Detroit.....	1858	.....	Detroit.
35	Cairnduff, Wm. H.....	.....	.....	Canada W	1874	1879	Warren.
36	Calkins, Sylvester.....	.....	.....	Mich.....	.....	Div	South Lyon.
37	Camburn, Ira H.....	N. Y.....	1815	Detroit.....	1857	.....	Denton.
38	Campbell, John W.....	N. Y.....	1849	Detroit.....	1875	.....	Alpena.
39	Campbell, Wm John.....	England.....	1829	Detroit.....	1862	.....	St. Clair.
40	Campbell, Wm. M.....	N. Brun.....	.....	Congr. nal.	1858	1875	North Branch.
41	Casler, David.....	N. Y.....	1840	Detroit.....	1871	.....	Oxford.
42	Caster, Elisha Ezra.....	N. Y.....	1836	Detroit.....	1859	.....	Fenton.
43	Caster, James Harvey.....	N. Y.....	1818	Mich.....	1858	Div	New Boston.
44	Challis, Dewitt C.....	N. Y.....	1845	Detroit.....	1877	.....	In Bulgaria.
45	Church, Charles Lewis.....	Penn.....	1838	Detroit.....	1863	.....	Burton.
46	Clack, Wm. J.....	England.....	1834	Detroit.....	1862	.....	Una lilla.
47	Clark, Nathan N.....	Maine.....	1841	Detroit.....	1874	.....	Walled Lake.
48	Clements, Samuel.....	N. Y.....	1817	Mich.....	1851	Div	Denton.
49	Clough, Albert B.....	Michigan.....	1837	Detroit.....	1867	.....	St. Charles.
50	Coates, Frederick.....	.....	.....	Detroit.....	1876	.....	Brockway.
51	Cocker, Benjamin F.....	England.....	1829	Detroit.....	18	.....	Ann Arbor.
52	Cope, Robert L.....	Canada.....	1848	Wesleyan.....	1873	1875	Watrousville.
53	Crane, Alfonzo.....	Michigan.....	1848	Detroit.....	1879	.....	Waterloo.
54	Crane, Rufus Cullen.....	N. Y.....	1824	Mich.....	1853	Div	Greenville.
55	Craven, Edwin.....	England.....	1848	Detroit.....	1875	.....	Troy.
56	Crippen, John Wesley.....	Michigan.....	1823	Detroit.....	1859	.....	Saginaw City.
57	Curnalia, James Henry.....	N. Y.....	1836	Detroit.....	1862	.....	Millington.
58	Curtis, David A.....	N. Y.....	1830	Mich.....	1846	Div	L'Anse.
59	Davidson, James F.....	Ohio.....	1810	Ohio.....	1833	Div	Utica.
60	Davis, George R.....	.....	.....	Detroit.....	1869	.....	Pekin, China.
61	Davis, Lewis P.....	Michigan.....	1839	Detroit.....	1875	.....	Dexter.
62	Dawe, Edwin.....	.....	.....	Detroit.....	1876	.....	Deerfield.
63	Dawe, William.....	England.....	1848	Detroit.....	1876	.....	West Bay City.
64	Dean, Lyman Haines.....	N. Y.....	1829	Detroit.....	1857	.....	Salem.
65	Diverty, James Emory.....	N. J.....	1852	Detroit.....	1876	.....	Bay City.
66	Dobbins, Jacob.....	N. Y.....	1809	Mich.....	1832	Div	Litchfield.
67	Donnelly, Wm.....	Penn.....	1808	Detroit.....	1854	.....	Alpena.
68	Donelson, Ira W.....	.....	.....	Mich.....	1855	.....	Pontiac.
69	Dunlap, James A.....	Michigan.....	1843	Detroit.....	1871	.....	Deckerville.
70	Dunning, Walter Edson.....	Michigan.....	1843	Detroit.....	1871	.....	Augusta.
71	Edwards, Arthur.....	Ohio.....	1834	Detroit.....	1860	.....	Chicago.*
72	Elwood, Isaac Newton.....	N. Y.....	1845	Detroit.....	1869	.....	Port Huron
73	Fair, Alex Scott.....	Canada.....	1840	Detroit.....	1869	.....	South Lyon.
74	Field, George H.....	Canada.....	1835	Canada W	1864	1872	Caro.
75	Fiske, Lewis Ransom.....	N. Y.....	1825	Mich.....	1857	1866	Albion.
76	Foster, Edwin.....	N. Y.....	1840	Detroit.....	1873	.....	Bridgeport.
77	Fox, William.....	Canada.....	1829	Mich.....	1856	Div	Fort Gratiot.
78	Frazer, Elias Wetmore.....	N. Brun.....	1841	Canada W	1862	1868	Blissfield.
79	Frazer, Joseph.....	Ireland.....	1840	Detroit.....	1868	.....	Grass Lake.
80	Fuller, James Madison.....	Vermont.....	1807	N. Eng.....	1830	1870	Detroit.
81	Gage, Rodney.....	Mass.....	1821	N. Eng.....	1855	1856	Seymour Lake.
82	Gardner, Thomas C.....	N. Y.....	1820	Mich.....	1845	Div	Port Huron.
83	Gee, Alexander.....	Michigan.....	1828	Detroit.....	1858	.....	Flat Rock.
84	Gibbs, Calvin.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1874	Saginaw City.
85	Giberson, Daniel W.....	Canada.....	1839	Detroit.....	1876	.....	Maysville.
86	Gordon, John M.....	N. Y.....	1834	Detroit.....	1865	.....	Howell.
87	Goss, Joel Byington.....	Michigan.....	1843	Detroit.....	1870	.....	Schwartz Creek.
88	Gray, John.....	Mass.....	1808	Mich.....	1841	Div	Dryden.
89	Hagadorn, Wesley.....	N. H.....	1838	Detroit.....	1863	.....	Farmington.
100	Hale, Osmer B.....	Ohio.....	1840	Un. Breth.....	1869	1873	Menominee.

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101	Hamilton, John.....	N. Y.....	1835	Detroit .....	1871	.....	Ishpeming.
102	Hammond, Daniel W.....	Michigan ..	1838	Detroit .....	1860	.....	Marlette.
103	Hascall, Erastus R.....	.....	.....	Mich.....	.....	Div	Tecumseh.
104	Hazen, Albert R.....	Ohio.....	1824	South. Ill..	1863	1868	Dryden.
105	Heagler, Ellis H.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1879	Milford.
106	Hedger, Benjamin H.....	N. J.....	1811	Mich .....	1855	Div	Bayport.
107	Hickey, Manassah.....	N. Y.....	1820	Mich.....	1848	Div	Detroit.
108	Hicks, Henry W.....	N. Y.....	1837	Meth. Pro.	1860	1868	Corunna.
109	Higgins, Theron Clint. ....	N. Y.....	1819	Detroit .....	1858	.....	Algonac.
110	Hodge, John J.....	.....	.....	Detroit .....	1876	.....	Perry.
111	Hodskiss, Harvey.....	N. Y.....	1818	Wesleyan.	1845	1868	.....
112	Holt, Joseph Warren.....	Conn.....	1819	Mich.....	1848	Div	Marysville.
113	Hood, Hiram.....	N. Y.....	1818	Genesec ..	1846	1859	Birmingham,
114	Horton, Jacob.....	Michigan..	1840	Detroit .....	1865	.....	Morenci.
115	Houghton, Levi Liberty..	N. Y.....	1837	Detroit .....	1869	.....	Pinckney.
116	Hoyt, Almon F.....	Vermont....	1849	Detroit .....	1876	.....	Hamburg.
117	Hudson, James L.....	Michigan ..	1844	Detroit .....	1866	.....	Chelsea.
118	Jacklin, James E.....	Michigan..	1847	Detroit .....	1877	.....	Northville.
119	Jacobs, Daniel C.....	N. Y.....	.....	Mich.....	1842	Div	Pontiac.
120	Johnston, Isaac.....	Ireland ..	1819	Wesleyan..	1851	1867	Atlantic.
121	Johnson, Peter O.....	N. Y.....	1817	Mich.....	1850	Div	Minneapolis, Min
122	Johnston, J. Milton.....	N. Y.....	1844	Detroit .....	1873	.....	Boston.
123	Joslin, John S.....	N. Y.....	1836	Detroit .....	1866	.....	South Bay City.
124	Joslin, Thomas Jeff.....	N. Y.....	1829	Mich.....	1854	Div	Flint.
125	Kellerman, Charles R.....	Prussia.....	1850	Detroit .....	1875	.....	Chesaning.
126	Kelley, John.....	Scotland....	1819	Detroit.....	1863	.....	Romeo.
127	Kerridge, J. Mileson.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Carlton.
128	Kilpatrick, James H.....	N. Y.....	1844	Detroit .....	1872	.....	Brighton.
129	Kilpatrick, Jesse.....	Ohio.....	1831	Detroit .....	1859	.....	Clinton.
130	Kimmell, Samuel Bell.....	Penn.....	1826	Detroit .....	1872	.....	.....
131	Klumph, Erastus.....	N. Y.....	1815	Detroit.....	1857	.....	Elni, Mich. ....
132	Laing, Aaron R.....	Michigan ..	1838	.....	1865	.....	Ortonville.
133	Lanning, Robert C.....	N. Y.....	1820	Meth. Pro	1844	1868	Byron.
134	Lee, Luther.....	N. Y.....	1800	Genesee....	1829	1867	Flint.
135	Lee, Samuel P.....	N. Y.....	1823	Mich.....	1852	Div	Marlette.
136	Lowe, George W.....	Michigan..	1836	Detroit.....	1860	.....	Calumet.
137	Lyon, George Marcus.....	N. Y.....	1829	Meth. Pro.	1868	1869	Medina.
138	Lyons, Nelson G.....	Michigan..	1845	Detroit.....	1876	.....	Hartland.
139	Marksman, Peter.....	Minn.....	1813	Mich.....	1839	1857	.....
140	Maywood, John.....	Canada ..	1845	Detroit .....	1870	.....	Port Austin.
141	McConnell, Richard.....	Ireland....	1820	Mich.....	1849	Div	Port Huron.
142	McEldowney, John.....	Ireland .....	1824	Wesleyan..	1865	1867	East Saginaw.
143	McFawn, David.....	.....	.....	Detroit .....	1879	.....	Port Sanilac.
144	McIlwain, John A.....	N. Y.....	1831	Detroit .....	1865	.....	Manchester.
145	McIntosh, John H.....	Canada.....	1834	Detroit .....	1870	.....	Laingsburgh.
146	Millar, David B.....	Scotland....	1840	Detroit .....	1873	.....	Sault Ste. Marie.
147	Misener, Duston Wells....	Canada.....	1840	Can. M. E.	1867	1874	Negaunee.
148	Mitchell, Lewis.....	Ireland....	.....	Detroit .....	1856	.....	Attica.
149	Moon, Lewis Nelson.....	Michigan..	1849	Detroit .....	1876	.....	Clyde.
150	Morgan, Josiah George.....	Michigan..	1836	Detroit .....	1867	.....	Plymouth.
151	Morton, James H.....	Scotland....	1833	Meth. Pro.	1862	1875	Lakeport.
152	Mosher, Curtis.....	N. Y.....	1815	Mich.....	1850	Div	Davidsburgh.
153	Nankervis, Henry.....	England....	1844	Detroit .....	1876	.....	Port Hope.
154	Newton, Newell.....	N. Y.....	1824	Genesee....	1852	1860	Cheboygan.
155	Nichols, Thomas.....	Canada.....	1834	Detroit .....	1862	.....	Clayton.
156	Ninde, William Xavier.....	N. Y.....	1832	Black Riv.	1858	.....	Evanston, Ill.
157	Nixon, George.....	.....	.....	.....	1874	1874	Conway.
158	Noble, James Richard.....	England....	1824	Detroit .....	1860	.....	Richmond.
159	Northrup, Henry C.....	Mass.....	1843	Detroit .....	1875	.....	Vassar.
160	Odell, Danel J.....	Michigan..	1836	Detroit .....	1873	.....	Dearborn.
161	Omans, Thomas G.....	Michigan..	1832	Prot Meth	1860	1870	Rockland.
161	Osborne, William H.....	Canada.....	1848	Detroit .....	1875	.....	Owosso.
163	Owen, George W.....	Ohio.....	1827	Detroit.....	1869	.....	Wyandotte.
164	Palmer Horace.....	Michigan..	1843	.....	1872	.....	Cass City.

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165	Pardington, Raynor S.....	England....	1836	Detroit.....	1860	....	Detroit.
166	Parker, Henry O.....	N. Y.....	1829	Detroit.....	1856	....	Fowlerville.
167	Parker, Jacob E.....	Penn.....	1816	Mich.....	1845	Div	Wash'gton. D.C.
168	Paull, John S.....	Wis.....	1849	Detroit.....	1875	....	Republic.
169	Pierce, Edwin P.....	Michigan..	1837	Detroit.....	1875	....	Frankling.
170	Pearce, Francis E.....	Ohio.....	1947	N. Indiana	1871	1872	Tuscola.
171	Peirce, Nathan Wallace..	N. Y.....	1860	Detroit.....	1867	....	Flat Rock.
172	Pearce, Webster H.....	.....	.....	.....	1874	....	Adrian.
173	Pearman, Elias Elgin....	Indiana....	1833	N. Indiana	1859	1870	Fairfield.
174	Perrin, Donald A.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	Davis.
175	Perrin, Oliver Jacob....	Michigan..	1838	Detroit.....	1862	....	Monroe.
176	Pilcher, Leander W.....	Michigan..	1848	Detroit.....	1862	....	Pekin, China.
177	Potter, Thomas George...	Ireland....	1832	Detroit.....	1861	....	Lapeer.
178	Priestly, John Stanley....	England....	1938	Detroit.....	1874	....	Napoleon.
179	Prindle, Elias B.....	N. Y.....	1820	Detroit.....	1856	....	Paoli, Kansas.
180	Pritchard, B. Franklin....	Conn.....	1815	Mich.....	1850	Div	Dansville.
181	Pugh, John.....	England....	1801	Minnesota	1856	1860	New Haven.
182	Ramsdell, Stephen L.....	.....	.....	Detroit.....	.....	....	Belleville.
183	Reed, Seth.....	N. Y.....	1823	Mich.....	1846	Div	Corunna.
184	Richards, And. Jackson...	N. Y.....	1831	Detroit.....	1866	....	Alpena.
185	Riddick, Isaac H.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	Saginaw.
186	Russell, Jesse B.....	N. Y.....	1832	Detroit.....	1863	....	East Milan.
187	Russell, John.....	N. Y.....	1822	Mich.....	1845	Div	Marquette.
188	Sanborn, Orlando.....	N. Y.....	1926	Mich.....	1855	Div	Parshallville.
189	Scott, Marvin J.....	N. Y.....	1832	Detroit.....	1870	....	Lambertville.
200	Seelye, Thomas.....	N. J.....	1823	Mich.....	.....	Div	Ann Arbor.
201	Shier, Dan R.....	N. J.....	1841	Detroit.....	1873	....	Saline.
202	Shier, William Henry....	N. Y.....	1832	Detroit.....	1863	....	Adrian.
203	Simpson, Charley.....	N. Y.....	1832	Detroit.....	1868	....	Lieden.
204	Smart, James Shirley....	Maine.....	1825	Mich.....	1850	Div	Bay City.
205	Smith, Henry Harrison....	Mass.....	1840	Detroit.....	1871	....	.....
206	Sparling, John George....	Ireland....	1838	Detroit.....	1871	....	Commerce.
207	Stalker, Thomas.....	England....	1829	Detroit.....	1861	....	Pontiac.
208	Steele, Ebenezer.....	Mass.....	1808	Mich.....	1841	Div	Ann Arbor.
209	Steer, Edward.....	Canada....	1833	Detroit.....	1871	....	.....
210	Stowe, George.....	Michigan..	1838	Detroit.....	1863	....	Hazleton.
211	Strong, Frederick.....	N. Brun....	1832	Detroit.....	1875	....	Bennington.
212	Sutton, Joseph Swazey...	N. J.....	1819	Mich.....	1848	Div	St. Clair.
213	Sweet John.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	Clifton.
214	Taylor, Barton S.....	N. Y.....	1820	Detroit.....	1861	....	Houghton.
215	Taylor, George.....	England....	1810	Genesee...	1838	Div	Palmyra.
216	Taylor, Wm.....	England....	1817	Mich.....	1843	Div	Vernon.
217	Tedman, Lucius S.....	N. Y.....	1832	Detroit.....	1861	....	Mount Morris.
218	Thompson, Henry W.....	Michigan..	1847	Detroit.....	1874	....	Escanaba.
219	Tracy, D Burnham.....	Conn.....	1929	Mich.....	1855	Div	Detroit.
220	Friggs, Wm. M.....	England....	1829	Detroit.....	1860	....	.....
221	Truscott, John M.....	England....	1836	Detroit.....	1873	....	Leesville.
222	Tuttle, William.....	N. Y.....	1829	Detroit.....	1857	....	Pinconning.
223	VanEvery, John M.....	Canada....	1850	Missouri....	1872	1872	Hancock.
224	VanNorman, Ephraim....	Canada....	1816	Wesleyan.	1849	1867	Neosha Falls, Ka
225	Varnum, Joseph B.....	Canada....	1830	Detroit.....	1857	....	Alba, Iowa.
226	Venning, James.....	England....	1832	Detroit.....	1866	....	Flint.
227	Wakelin, Thomas.....	England....	1907	Mich.....	1845	Div	Mt. Morris.
228	Walker, John L.....	Scotland...	1835	Detroit.....	1872	....	Armada.
229	Warren, Frederick Wales	N. Y.....	1820	Mich.....	1846	Div	Iosco.
230	Warren, Squire Ethan....	Michigan..	1825	Detroit.....	1862	....	Attica.
231	Washburn, W. Wallace....	Vermont...	1837	Minnesota	1869	1870	Ypsilanti.
232	Way, Wm, Chittenden....	N. Y.....	1824	Detroit.....	1850	....	Rochester.
233	Westley, John.....	England....	1819	Detroit.....	1859	....	Gaines.
234	Westlake, Eli.....	N. Y.....	1819	Mich.....	1841	Div	Fenton.
235	Whalen, James E.....	Michigan..	.....	Detroit.....	1873	....	Marine City.
236	White, Henry Sumner....	N. Y.....	1728	Providence	1856	1865	Port Huron.
237	Whiteley, Duke.....	England....	1822	Meth. Pro.	1854	1872	Sharon.
238	Whitcomb, Alonzo.....	N. Y.....	1838	Detroit.....	1870	....	Capac.
239	Whitcomb, John Goss....	N. Y.....	1823	Detroit.....	1856	1867	Flushing.
240	Whitmore, Orrin.....	N. Y.....	1823	Mich.....	1850	Div	Grand Blanc.

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241	Wilcox, Isaac.....	Canada.....	1848	Detroit.....	1876	.....	Calumet.
242	Wilkinson, Thomas.....	England.....	1838	Prim. Met	1864	1871	Lexington.
243	Willits, Oscar W.....	.....	.....	Detroit.....	1879	.....	Addison.
244	Wilsey, Marcenas B.....	N. Y.....	1817	Wesleyan..	1845	1867	Milford.
245	Wilson, Andrew W.....	Europe.....	1841	Genesee....	1868	1870	Trenton.
246	Wilson, George.....	England.....	1838	Detroit.....	1864	.....	Commerce.
247	Withey, James E.....	Michigan..	1844	Detroit.....	1868	.....	Oak Grove.
248	Wood, Alva B.....	Michigan..	1843	Detroit.....	1871	.....	Ridgeway.
249	Woodhams, Roland.....	England....	1846	Detroit.....	1874	.....	Oscoda.
250	Wortley, Jacob C.....	England....	1830	Detroit.....	1863	.....	Hudson.
251	Wright, Henry W.....	.....	.....	Detroit.....	1879	.....	Hadley.
252	Wright, Philip J.....	Canada.....	1839	Detroit.....	1871	.....	Reese.
253	York, Frederick E.....	Canada.....	1844	Detroit.....	1868	.....	Clarkston.
254	York, Lodowic C.....	N. Y.....	1817	Detroit.....	1858	.....	Williamston.

**PROBATIONERS OF SECOND YEAR.**

PAUL DESJARDINS, Alcona.  
 WILLIAM GEORGE, Dundee.  
 NATHAN L. GUTHRIE, Forester.

ALEXANDER J. HOLMES.  
 JOHN H. McCUNE, Caseyville.  
 CHARLES H. TALMADGE, Harrisville.

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**PROBATIONERS OF FIRST YEAR.**

WM. J. BAILEY, Unionville.  
 JOHN W. CHAPMAN, Hope.  
 MATTHEW C. HAWKS, Tawas City.  
 LAMBERT E. LENNOX, Detroit.  
 GEO. A. MAYWOOD, Memphis.  
 THOMAS B. MCGEE, Ingersoll.

CHARLES H. MORGAN, Marquette.  
 JOHN B. OLIVER, Croswell.  
 PERRY R. PARRISH, Algonac.  
 JOHN M. SHANK, Lima.  
 GEO. A. WALKER, Bad Axe.  
 ORTON W. WINTON, Ruby.

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**DELEGATES TO GENERAL CONFERENCE.**

1. JAMES S. SMART.
2. ARTHUR EDWARDS.
3. WILLIAM H. SHIER.
4. ALANSON R. BARTLETT.
5. JOHN RUSSELL.

**RESERVES.**

1. ISAAC N. ELWOOD.
2. JOHN M. ARNOLD.

**LAY DELEGATES.**

1. BENJ. W. HUSTON, of Vassar, Michigan.
2. SUMNER HOWARD, of Flint, Michigan.

**RESERVES.**

1. TUBAL C. OWEN, Detroit.
2. CHARLES H. RYND, Adrian.

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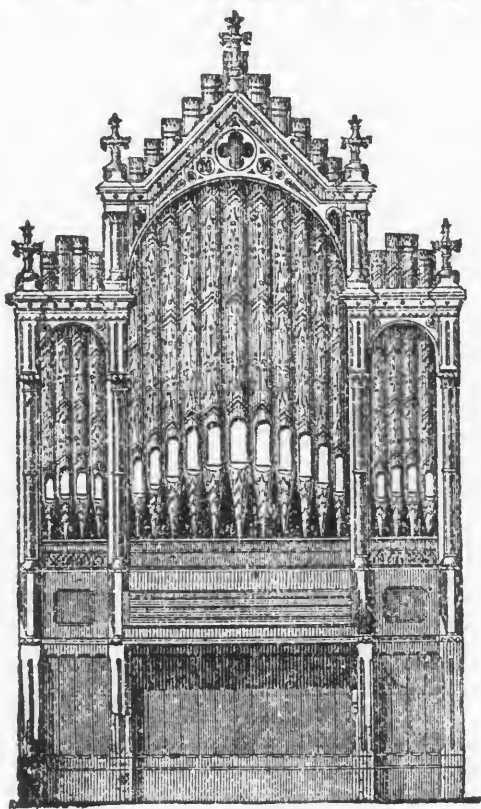
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CIRCUIT AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.					BAP- TISMS.	CHURCH PROPERTY.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										COLLECTIONS, Etc.						SUNDAY SCHOOLS.														SPRINTERS.					
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